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NEW COUNTY PROJECT MAY REACH NEXT SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

Agitation Started Which May Terminate in
Definite Action to Secure Passage of Bill
Giving the Valley and Points Adjacent Right
of Government

PLANS WERE DEFEATED THROUGH POLITICAL
TROUBLE WHEN FIRST EFFORTS WERE MADE

A boom for a new county, to embrace parts of Washington, West moreland, Fayette and Allegheny counties is being agitated for the second time, and it would not be surprising if a bill for its formation is introduced at the forthcoming session of the Legislature. So far the agitation for the project has been confined to a mere discussion of its possibilities and nothing definite has been done.

of Chris Magee, the Pittsburgh Republican leader and David Martin, of Philadelphia. Enthusiasm ran high. To Henry Sheets was entrusted the job of working up feeling in favor of the scheme along the valley. He hired bands and chartered a boat, secured oratorical speakers and fairly made things hum in every river community interested. After the bill had passed two ses-

Contracts Are Let for Roads

Meadowlands and Houston
Roads to Have Four
Kinds of Paving

WANT FAIR TEST GIVEN

After several weeks delay the county commissioners this week awarded the contract for furnishing the brick for the Meadowlands-Houston road. The contract for improving this road has not yet been let, notwithstanding the fact that the bids have been in the hands of the commissioners since November 14 last.

The contracts for the bricks for this road were awarded to four different firms as follows: Pittsburgh Buffalo company, one-fourth at \$15 per 1,000; Donley Brick company, Washington, one fourth at \$12.50 per 1,000; James M. Porter, Toronto block, at \$15 per 1,000 and James M. Porter, American Sewer Pipe Porter block \$15 per 1,000.

The Donley brick is an experiment with the commissioners. It is a red clay brick, while the other bricks heretofore used have been a vitrified fire clay brick. The Donley bricks have been used successfully for paving and have been used in Washington.

No award of contract was made, but the Pittsburgh Buffalo company is the lowest bidder for furnishing brick for the Roscoe-Stockdale road. Bids for the improvement of several roads have been in the hands of the commissioners for several weeks, but no contracts have yet been awarded. It is expected the contracts will be awarded this week. Some of the bids are very close.

Will Aid Project

Local Business Men Interested in Ship
Canal
RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED

Charleroi business men will co-operate with business men of Pittsburgh and other places in the movement to further the plans toward the building of a ship canal between Lake Erie and the Ohio River. Last night at a specially called meeting of the Charleroi Business Men's association the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved—That the Charleroi Business Men's Association believing that the people of Charleroi are heartily in accord with the movement in Pittsburgh and elsewhere in forming a permanent organization to further the plans toward the building of a Ship Canal between Lake Erie and the Ohio River and that we pledge any assistance within our power for the success of the undertaking. We also command W. A. Magee, Mayor of Pittsburgh, for the activity he has shown in his enterprise."

Almost Too Late

100 Beautiful Persian and Dresden Head Scarfs just received by Kirk and Clark this morning. The manufacture took a chance and shipped them at this late date at about half price. To all them quick we offer you choice of the lot for 50 cents. Pretty lilac, pink and blues in the lot. Kirk and Clark. 11622

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MR. TENER HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Governor-Elect Has
Nothing to Say of
Appointments.

RETURNS TO CONGRESS

Will Not Resign as Representative Until Day Before Inauguration.

Governor-elect J. K. Tener, arrived from Washington yesterday where he has been in attendance at the present session of Congress, to spend the holidays at home. With him returned his secretary, Walter Gaither. On January 5 Mr. Tener will return to Congress and with the exception of an occasional trip home remain there until January 16, when he will resign. On January 17 his inauguration as Governor of Pennsylvania will take place at Harrisburg.

Today Mr. Tener and Secretary Gaither turned their attention to the heavy mail which has accumulated, and are getting rid of much correspondence matter.

On the matter of appointments Governor-elect Tener has not a word to say, and will likely make no announcements of the personnel of his cabinet until he takes his office in January. In withholding authoritative information he is following the practice of many of his predecessors.

Governor-elect and Mrs. Tener are making arrangements for the disposal of the large part of their household furniture in Charleroi, in preparation for removal to the executive mansion at Harrisburg. But Charleroi will still be home to them, although the place of their residence will be Harrisburg. It is expected that many Charleroi people will go to Harrisburg to witness the inauguration ceremonies.

Bond is Accepted

Belle Vernon Council
Lets Telephone Work
Continue

EXTENSION IS GRANTED

On the eve of the expiration of its franchise the Belle Vernon council last night voted to accept the bond offered by the Independent Telephone Construction company 14 months ago and held up since April. The year and a half in which it was to have an exchange in operation will expire next Friday. Workmen who came in this week to do a hurry up job on getting the plant ready to do business were stopped because an accepted bond had not been filed. After talking it over council decided the bond was alright although it expired a couple of months ago. One similar is to be executed.

After the matter of the bond had been settled to the satisfaction of the majority, the representative of the company asked for and was granted a 90 day extension of time.

Dancing School

Oatman's, Tuesday night Dancing School will meet Tuesday night, January 2, Bank of Charleroi. Beginner's Class at 7:30. 114110

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 11212

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finishes at Woodward's—421 McKean avenue. 11212

ROAD IMPROVEMENT MAY BE TIED UP FOR PRESENT

Small Attorney's Fee May be Instrumental in
Halting Movement for Good Roads
This Year

NO REPORT TO THE COUNTY CONTROLLER

According to the Washington Record a small attorney's fee of \$100 may tie up the whole road bond issue by the county of \$100,000 for 1910. These bonds had all been disposed of regularly but the last block of \$25,000 and these were recently taken over by a private bank.

No report has yet been made to the county controller of this sale of \$25,000 of the bonds. The county treasurer has no return for the sale of these bonds. The county commissioners do not have in their possession either the bonds or a receipt of them. It is probable that unless a report of sale for the \$25,000 is received by the controller before the end of the year, the entire issue of 1910 bonds will be dead. This is not yet certain, but attorneys hold that all the bonds must be sold before the end of the year for which they are issued and that the law will not permit the county to make a reissue after the end of the year or to double up the issue to \$200,000 in 1911.

While no official statement has been made it is generally known that the missing bonds have been sold, that the commissioner gave them into the hands of a private banker who wished to purchase them and that the matter at issue now is a question whether the county shall allow the buyer \$100 or \$200 for attorney's fees. A hundred dollars is hanging up the whole issue.

The First National Bank of Monongahela took \$25,000 of these bonds. The First National Bank of Canonsburg bought \$50,000. Then, it is said a private banker took away the remaining \$25,000 and the sale was regarded as about concluded. If there is any written offer for these bonds it has not been made public, so that little is known as to whether or not the bankers stipulated that the county should allow him attorney fees. The county commissioners it is said, agreed before the bonds were issued that no fees would be allowed. One purchase, however, was given \$100 for fees and then asked for \$150 more. The private banker pointed out that he should have special consideration because as a private banker he would be at the expense of securing a bond, while the National banks were authorized to make satisfactory bond by their directors. It has been rumored that a market for these bonds was easily found and that they have really been sold.

County Controller J. H. Moffitt maintains that the entire bond issue for 1910 is dead at the end of the year, it will be necessary to issue new bonds, sell them, readvertise for bids and let new contracts, so that no road improvement work is likely to be done until late next year. One whole year will be lost at any rate.

MINER SLASHES THROAT OF WIFE THEN KILLS HIMSELF

Avella Foreigner Com-
mits Terrible
Crime

INSANE JEALOUSLY CAUSE

Woman May Recover From
Terrible Wounds Inflicted
By Passionate Man

After gashing the throat of his wife with two terrific slashes with a razor, Mike Bartsawicz, last evening at his home in Avella slashed his own throat once and fell on the floor by the side of his wife, a corpse. The woman although terribly injured has a slight chance for recovery.

When the man came home from his work last night a boarder was in the house. He was asked to go to the store. Thereupon Bartsawicz, who had been whistling a merry tune, roughly caught the woman by her hair and jerking back her head whipped a razor from his pocket and slashed her throat twice. As the unconscious form sank to the floor the man walked across the room and drew the dripping razor across his own

throat severing the jugular vein. Miners nearby, hearing the screams of the 8 year old child rushed to the house. The man was dead but Mrs. Bartsawicz was still breathing. She was removed to a neighboring house and physicians called into attendance. Insane jealousy is supposed to have been the cause of the tragedy.

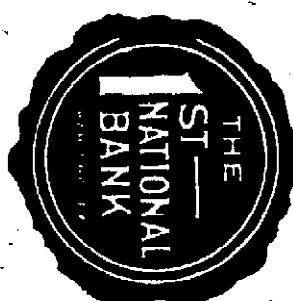
Uniontown Loses Company C
State Senator William E. Crow of Uniontown has received a letter from Adjutant General T. J. Stewart in which he states that Company C of the "Fighting Tenth" regiment will be removed to Somerset. Lack of support is said to have been the cause of the removal.

Supper and Dance
For the benefit of the Italian Catholic church at Turner Hall, Monday evening, December 26. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets 50 cents. Dancing after supper from 8 to 12 p. m. Gentlemen 25 cents, ladies 10 cents. 11522

Get gifts for men here. Neckwear, shirts, handkerchiefs, hose, gloves hats and clothing. Lealie Campbell Co. 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 11413
Misses and childrens Jockey Shoes in all sizes at Adolph's. 11512

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A Christmas Gift

Yours for the Asking
HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS will
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From Now Until Christmas

Only Ten Days---Better Hurry

Crowds of prudent Christmas shoppers are already taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Any musical instrument in the house will be sold at less than it ever sold before, or ever will again.

A Smashing Reduction in Prices of Pianos, and Organs.

Violins, Graphophones, and all other musical instruments. Come while there's lots to select from. You will be surprised when you learn our prices.

A Few Second Hand Instruments, good as new, but still second hand, and must be sold very low.

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Always remember that

A. H. FURLONG'S

Music Room

407 Fallowfield Avenue, Charleroi, Pennsylvania, is the only place to obtain these Grand Christmas Presents.

Open Every Evening Until Christmas



Barger's Extra Stamp Offer Begins Today Good Till Xmas

- 1 lb. tea 60c.....60 stamps
- 1 lb. spice, any kind 50c.....60 stamps
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- 1 bot. lemon, orange, or pineapple 25c.....25 stamps
- 1 box talcum powder 25c.....25 stamps
- 2 cans sweet corn, whole grain 25c.....10 stamps
- 2 cans selected peas 25c.....10 stamps
- 6 cakes tar soap 25c.....25 stamps
- 3 cakes toilet soap 25c.....25 stamps
- 1 pkg. starch 25c.....15 stamps
- 3 lb. corn starch 25c.....15 stamps

Deal here and fill your books before Xmas---All goods guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded.

Barger's

The Big T Store

415 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi
 BOTH PHONES---Bell 116-w. Charleroi 15.

Call on Mail Advertisers

Courtaut the Wolf.

Paris has forgotten the time when it used to go in terror of the wolves which carried off women and children from the streets and even riddled the graveyards. At one time they became so mad with desire for human flesh that in a single week they devoured fourteen persons, all between Montmartre and the gate of St. Antoine. On the vigil of St. Martin (says Grand James in "Joan of Arc") there was hunted and taken a horrible wolf, which, it was said had done more and more cruelly, than many others put together. That day he was killed. He had no tail, and from that he was called Courtaut. There was as much talk about him as if he had been an outlaw of the woods or a cruel captain, and when he lived folk said to one another as they went forth to labor in the fields, "Look out for Courtaut." And on this day he was taken through Paris in a cart, dead, with his great jaws open, and all the people went to see, and they made holiday and rejoiced, because Courtaut could trouble them no more.

Rented Wedding Cakes.

"There was something wrong with the cake," the baker said. It looked all right, and it smelled all right, but his artistic sense told him it would not taste all right.

"Then fix it up with an extra coat of icing and we will keep it for a reuter," said the proprietor.

"Who in the world would rent a cake?" some one asked.

"Wedding parties," said he. "They want a big cake in the center of the table for show, but a cake of that size good enough for a wedding would cost more than they can afford to pay, so they order five cake put up in individual boxes for the guests and use the bride's cake just as an ornament. They don't buy it; they rent it. Sometimes a cake is rented a dozen different times. After each wedding it is freshened up with a new coat of icing and looks as good as new for the next occasion. A good renter fetches about \$3 a wedding."---New York Press.

Sarcastic Cabby.

A certain nobleman, who may be called Lord X, bears the reputation of being somewhat stingy in money matters. On a wet afternoon he hired a cab to take him to Victoria station. Arrived at the station, he handed the cabman a shilling and of course was met by the inevitable demand for an extra shilling.

"Certainly not," said the other promptly. "You came the longest way as an excuse to extort money. Why didn't you go through St. James' park?"

The cabman saw he had no chance and said sneeringly:

"Cos St. James' park is closed. That's why."

"Nonsense," said the other sternly.

"It's right, though," was the grave reply. "They say that Lord X, dropped a shilling coming across the park last evening, and the gates are closed until they find it."---London Tit-Bits.

Shut Her Up.

A young wife was continuously pestered by her mother-in-law about the way she was bringing up her firstborn babe. The young wife was intelligent and capable, and she was really doing very well with the baby. From her mother-in-law, however, she got nothing but sour advice, warnings and veiled abuse. One day the mother-in-law, looking fixedly at the mother with her baby on her lap, said angrily:

"A woman has no right to have a child if she doesn't know how to hold it."

"No, nor a tongue either," was the quiet reply.---Detroit Free Press.

Berlin.

"Berle," from which Berlin has caught her name, means uncultivated land. Slavonian Wends, the earliest settlers on the sandy plain, could make but little out of the soil. The population in 1832 was only 250,000. Less than forty years later it was 800,000, and now it runs into 2,000,000. The man who gave to Berlin its present form was Frederick II., but Frederick the Great and the Great Elector started the noble hobby of beautifying the wonderful city.

The Mantle of Charity.

The lady was making some remarks about the kind of clothing some other ladies at church had on.

"The finest garment a woman can wear," said her husband, "is the mantle of charity."

"Yes," she snapped, "and it is about the only dress, judging by the fuss they make over the bills, that some husbands want their wives to wear."

Sweden's "Church Boat."

The "church boat" is a popular institution in Sweden. It brings families to service from the farms around Lake Siljan to Leksand. The water route is the nearest and most convenient, and so the big boat goes from farm to farm along the shore picking up the churchgoers, who later return by the same route.---Wide World Magazine.

Counting the Cost.

"What's the cost of a marriage license?" asked a youth whose fancy had lightly turned to thoughts of conjugal felicity.

"Well," answered his friend, "30 shillings down and your entire salary each week for the rest of your life."---London Telegraph.

Where Time Doesn't Count.

A party of East Indian natives were found sitting in a row on the form of a station after the train left, and, being asked the reason, one of the men replied, "Oh, sahib, waiting till the tickets are cheap."



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Christmas Suggestions in Furniture

What can be more suitable as a gift than an article that furnishes a happy remembrance and a useful purpose for years. Furniture fulfills these requirements. Here are a few suggestions:

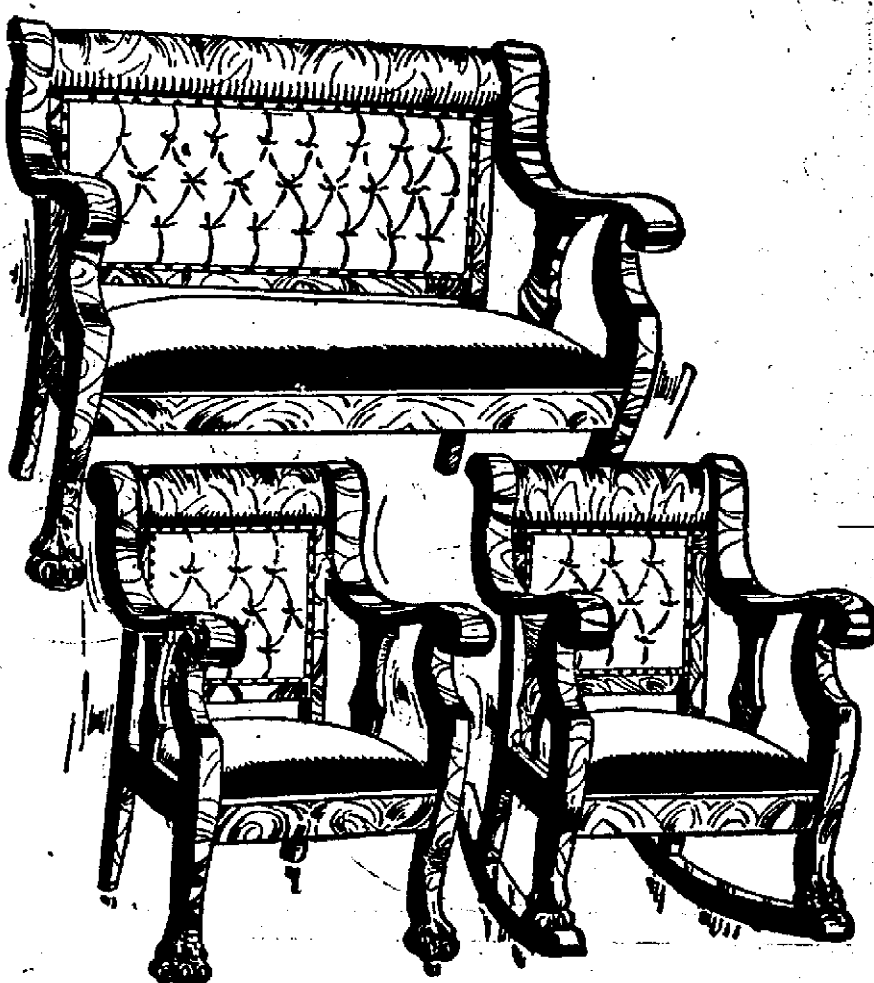
Parlor Suites	China Closets	Wardrobes	Couches
Parlor Tables	Buffets	Dressers	Writing Tables
Parlor Stands	Sideboards	Slipper Chairs	Cellerettes
Pictures	Brass Beds	High Chairs	Davenport
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Dining Tables	Bedroom Suites	Pook Cases	Carpets
Dining Chairs	Dressing Tables	Desks	Rugs
		Morris Chairs	Ranges

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The Big House
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Night Rates After 6 o'clock you can talk over our Long Distance Toll lines at 50 per cent. off, that is if the rate is 50 cents or less in the day time, the charge at night will be 25 cents.

Coupon Books We sell Coupon Books worth \$10 for \$9, which is 10 per cent. off, good to pay long distant toll bills.

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(Owned by Over 100 Charleroi Citizens)
 C. H. CHRISTNER, Manager.

The Home Company
 More Better Cheaper

Fire Fire Fire

\$20,000

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Sale starts at 6 o'clock

Thursday, Dec. 22

SOUTHERN FURNITURE CO.

412 Fallowfield Avenue
Charleroi, Pa.

Yosemite Versus Grand Canyon.
Yosemite for a home or a camp, the Grand Canyon for a spectacle. I saw a robin in Yosemite valley. Think how forlorn and out of place a robin would seem in the Grand canyon! What would he do there? There is no turf for him to inspect, and there are no trees for him to perch on. I could as soon expect to find him amid the pyramids of Egypt or amid the ruins of Karnak. The bluebird was there also, and the water ouzel, haunted the lucid waters. The reader may create for himself a good image of Yosemite by thinking of a section of seven or eight miles of the Hudson river midway of its course as emptied of its waters and deepened 3,000 feet or more, having the sides nearly vertical, with snow white waterfalls fluttering against them here and there, the famous spires and domes planted along the rim, and the landscape of groves and glades, with its still, clear, winding river, occupying the bottom.—John Burroughs in Century.

RESTAURANTS.

They Really Had Their Origin in the First French Revolution.

The restaurant of the present time had its origin in the first French revolution, toward the close of the eighteenth century. And the reputation of the French for good cookery and the delicacy of taste in eating as well as in producing toothsome dishes and morsels dates practically from the same time.

That revolution meant ruin to many noble families, and their downfall meant ruin also for their chefs, so some of the latter hit upon the idea of opening houses where dainties prepared by their skilled hands could be obtained. If the experiment succeeded, the chefs would be as well off as when in service. The idea was pleasing to the public, the restaurants did a large business, and the proprietors had no reason to regret the revolution from a monetary point of view.

Then it occurred to others that the people might appreciate being educated up to this fine cookery, and many books on the culinary art were published and sold well. One of the most noted of these was "The Gourman Almanack," which appeared in 1798. Restaurant really means "restoring" and was applied to these places because you went there to have something to revive or restore your failing strength.

MAKING NEEDLES.

Various Processes Through Which the Steel Wire Must Pass.

Needles are made from steel wire, which is first cut by shears from coils into the length of the needles to be

made. After a bath of such bits as have been cut out they are placed in a furnace, then rolled until perfectly straight. Next the needle pointer takes up a dozen or so of the wires and rolls them between his thumb and finger, with their ends on a turning grindstone, first one and then the other being ground. The little steel bobbins are next fed into a machine which flattens and gutters the heads, after which the eyes are punched.

They are now complete needles, but rough and easily bent. Careful heating and sudden cooling gives them the necessary temper, and nothing remains but to give them their final polish. On a coarse cloth needles are spread to the number of 40,000 or 50,000. Emery dust is strewn over them, oil is sprinkled on and soft soap daubed over the cloth, which, rolled tightly, is thrown into a pot with others, where it rolls about for twelve hours or more.

When taken from this friction bath the needles require only rinsing in clean hot water, when they are ready to be sorted and packed. — Chicago Tribune.

Fulton and the Clermont.

The first trip of Robert Fulton up the Hudson river in the Clermont was thus described in the American Citizen of Aug. 17, 1810:

"Mr. Fulton's ingenious Steam Boat, invented with a View to the Navigation of The Mississippi from New Orleans upwards, Sails today from the North River, near the State Prison, to Albany. The Velocity of The Steam Boat is Calculated at four miles an hour. It is said that it will make a progress of two against The Current of The Mississippi, and if so it will certainly be a very valuable acquisition to the Commerce of the Western States."

According to Edward Hagaman Hall's history, the Clermont made the trip to Albany in thirty-two hours. The block in New York now bounded by Washington, West Tenth, West and Charles Streets, in old Greenwich village.

LAWS OF WARS.

The Code Now in Use Among All the Civilized Nations.

The "laws of war" as at present formulated by the civilized nations forbid the use of poison against an enemy; murder by treachery, as, for example, assuming the uniform or displaying the flag of a foe; the murder of those who have surrendered, whether upon conditions or at discretion; declarations that no quarter will be given to an enemy; the use of such arms or projectiles as will cause unnecessary pain or suffering to an enemy; the abuse of a flag of truce to gain information concerning an en-

emy's positions; all unnecessary destruction of property, whether public or private.

They also declare that only fortified places shall be besieged; open cities or villages not to be subject to siege or bombardment; that public buildings of whatever character, whether belonging to church or state, shall be spared; that plundering by private soldiers or their officers shall be considered inadmissible; that prisoners shall be treated with common humanity; that the personal effects and private property of prisoners, except arms, ammunitions, shall be respected; that the population of a town's ordinary shall be considered innocent and participation in the actions of the hostile acts they provoke the wrath of the enemy.

Personal and family honor and the religious conviction of an invaded people must be respected by the invaders and all passage by regular troops or their followers is strictly forbidden. — New York Herald.

The Electric Fan.

Back in the early eighties Dr. S. S. Wheeler, an electrical engineer of New York, was experimenting with a small electric motor. In the course of his experiments the doctor conceived the idea that steamboats might be run with electricity if the propellers could be directly connected to high speed electric motors, doing away with all the gears then in use in steam propulsion. With this idea in mind he had a small screw propeller constructed and fastened it to the armature shaft of his small motor. To his surprise the experiment resulted in a fine breeze of cooling air which more than delighted the experimenter, for the day was decidedly hot. It is needless to add that the experiments with screw propellers ended right there, and the engineer took up the study of the electric fan, with the result that he soon perfected the device until it was a commercial success.

Bonnyclabber.

New drinks have sometimes a glorious and brief popularity. Lord Stratford, writing to Lord Cottingham in 1635, extols "bonnyclabber," which he says "is the bravest, freshest drink you ever tasted. Your Spanish don would, on the heats of Madrid, bang his nose and shake his beard an hour over every sop he took of it and take it to be the drink of the gods all the while."

No one, however, seems to know the exact composition of the seductive "bonnyclabber," although from an allusion to it by Ben Jonson it would seem to have been a mixture of beer and buttermilk. — London Chronicle.

Puzzled the Packer.

The first organized work of women in a relief corps was led by Florence Nightingale in the Crimean war of 1855. So unaccustomed were people to that service at the time that it called out some curious comment. Writing of "Chinese" Gordon, Dr. Butler tells in his book, "Ten Great and Good Men," how the boys at Cambridge met the call upon them for hospital stores.

One day a letter came suddenly from the war office telling us that any warm clothes for the invalids at Scutari would be prized by Miss Florence Nightingale. At once in every college a committee was extemporized of leading undergraduates, charged to collect presents of flannel jackets, trousers, "blazers," rugs, greatcoats, furs, even sealskins.

In a few hours box after box was filled with these treasures, and all the boxes were kindly and gratuitously packed for us by the leading upholsterer of the town, his foreman simply remarking to me in a tone which General Gordon would have enjoyed: "A nice consignment for a lady, sir."

Cause of Twilight.

Twilight is a phenomenon caused by atmospheric refraction. When the sun gets below the horizon we are not immediately plunged into the darkness of night. Although the sun is below our horizon, rays of solar light are bent or refracted by the terrestrial atmosphere and continue to furnish some slight illumination. The process continues with diminishing intensity until the sun is so far below the horizon that the refracting power of the atmosphere is no longer able to bend the rays enough to produce a visible effect. The time after sunset that the sun reaches such a position varies with the latitude of the place. There is less twilight at the tropic zone than at the temperate or frigid zone. This is due to less time taken by the sun's rays to pass through the atmosphere, at the tropic zone the sun's rays being perpendicular and at the temperate and frigid zones oblique. — New York American.

With a Grain of Salt.

The earliest record of the saying "with a grain of salt" dates back to the year 63 B. C., when the great Pompey entered the palace of Mithridates and discovered among his private papers the description of an antidote against poisons of all sorts, which was composed of pounded herbs. These, according to the recipe, were to be taken with a grain of salt. Whether this was meant seriously or as a warning sarcasm is not known, but thenceforth it became the custom to say that doubtful preparations should be taken with a grain of salt. From this the meaning got transferred to sayings of doubtful truth. "Attic salt" was a Greek synonym for wit or penetration, and the Latin word "sal" had somewhat of the same meaning. It is thus easy to see how the saying "cum grano salis" could have come to mean the necessity of accepting doubtful or suspicious statements "with a grain of salt."

Molokai and the Lepers.

The general idea of the leper settlement on the island of Molokai is wrong, says a writer in Harpers Weekly. Instead of the entire island being used for the leper colony the settlement comprises only eight square miles out of a total area of 261 square miles. It occupies a tongue of land on the northern side of Molokai. The north, east and west shores of this tiny spit are washed by the Pacific, while on the south side rise precipitous cliffs of from 1,500 to 4,000 feet, which make the isolation seem even more hopeless than the beautiful deep blue waters of the sea ever could. The most difficult and dangerous trail, constantly manned by government guards, foils escape, if it were ever contemplated, by the land side.

Stupid Husband of a Noted Singer.

Catalani's husband, a handsome Frenchman, was even more unintellectual than his wife—he was stupid. Once, having found the pitch of the piano too high, she said after the rehearsal to her husband: "The piano is too high. Will you see that it is made lower before the concert?" When the evening came Catalani was annoyed to find that the piano had not been altered. Her husband sent for the carpenter, who declared that he had sawed off two inches from each leg, as he had been ordered to do. "Surely it can't be too high now, my dear," said the stupid husband soothingly.

Through the Cracks.

When the celebrated divine Edward Irving was on a preaching tour in Scotland two Dumfries men of decided opinion went to hear him. When they left the hall one said to the other: "Well, Willie, what do you think?" "Oh," said the other contemptuously, "the man's cracked!" The first speaker laid a quiet hand on his shoulder. "Willie," said he, "you'll often see a light peeping through a crack."

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Courtaut the Wolf.

Paris has forgotten the time when it used to go in terror of the wolves which carried off women and children from the streets and even rided the graveyards. At one time they became so mad with desire for human flesh that in a single week they devoured fourteen persons, all between Montmartre and the gate of St. Antoine. On the visit of St. Martin (says Grace James in "Joan of Arc") there was hunted and taken a horrible wolf, which, it was said had done more and more cruelly, than many others put together. That day he was killed. He had no tail, and from that he was called Courtaut. There was as much talk about him as if he had been an outlaw of the woods or a cruel captain, and when he lived folk said to one another as they went forth to labor in the fields, "Look out for Courtaut." And on this day he was taken through Paris in a cart, dead, with his great jaws open, and all the people went to see, and they made him day and rejoiced, because Courtaut could trouble them no more.

Rented Wedding Cakes.

There was something wrong with the cake, the baker said. It looked all right, and it smelled all right, but his artistic sense told him it would not taste all right.

"Then fix it up with an extra coat of icing and we will keep it for a renter," said the proprietor.

"Who in the world would rent a cake?" some one asked.

"Wedding parties," said he. "They want a big cake in the center of the table for show, but a cake of that size good enough for a wedding would cost more than they can afford to pay, so they order fine cake put up in individual boxes for the guests and use the bride's cake just as an ornament. They don't buy it; they rent it. Sometimes a cake is rented a dozen different times. After each wedding it is freshened up with a new coat of icing and looks as good as new for the next occasion. A good renter fetches about \$3 a wedding."—New York Press.

Sarcastic Cabby.

A certain nobleman, who may be called Lord X., bears the reputation of being somewhat stingy in money matters. On a wet afternoon he hired a cab to take him to Victoria station. Arrived at the station, he handed the cabman a shilling and of course was met by the inevitable demand for an extra sixpence.

"Certainly not," said the other promptly. "You came the longest way as an excuse to extort money. Why didn't you go through St. James' park?"

The cabman saw he had no chance and said sneeringly:

"Cos St. James' park is closed. That's why."

"Nonsense," said the other sternly.

"It's right, though," was the grave reply. "They say that Lord X. dropped a shilling coming across the park last evening, and the gates are closed until they find it."—London Tit-Bits.

Shut Her Up.

A young wife was continuously pestered by her mother-in-law about the way she was bringing up her firstborn babe. The young wife was intelligent and capable, and she was really doing very well with the baby. From her mother-in-law, however, she got nothing but sour advice, warnings and veiled abuse. One day the mother-in-law, looking fixedly at the mother with her baby on her lap, said angrily:

"A woman has no right to have a child if she doesn't know how to hold it."

"No, nor a tongue either," was the quiet reply.—Detroit Free Press.

Berlin.

"Berle," from which Berlin has caught her name, means uncultivated land. Slavonian Wends, the earliest settlers on the sandy plain, could make but little out of the soil. The population in 1832 was only 250,000. Less than forty years later it was 800,000, and now it runs into 2,000,000. The man who gave to Berlin its present form was Frederick II., but Frederick the Great and the Great Elector started the noble hobby of beautifying the wonderful city.

The Mantle of Charity.

The lady was making some remarks about the kind of clothing some other ladies at church had on.

"The finest garment a woman can wear," said her husband, "is the mantle of charity."

"Yes," she snapped, "and it is about the only dress, judging by the fuss they make over the bills, that some husbands want their wives to wear."

Sweden's "Church Boat."

The "church boat" is a popular institution in Sweden. It brings families to service from the farms around Lake Siljan to Leksand. The water route is the nearest and most convenient, and so the big boat goes from farm to farm along the shore picking up the churchgoers, who later return by the same route.—Wide World Magazine.

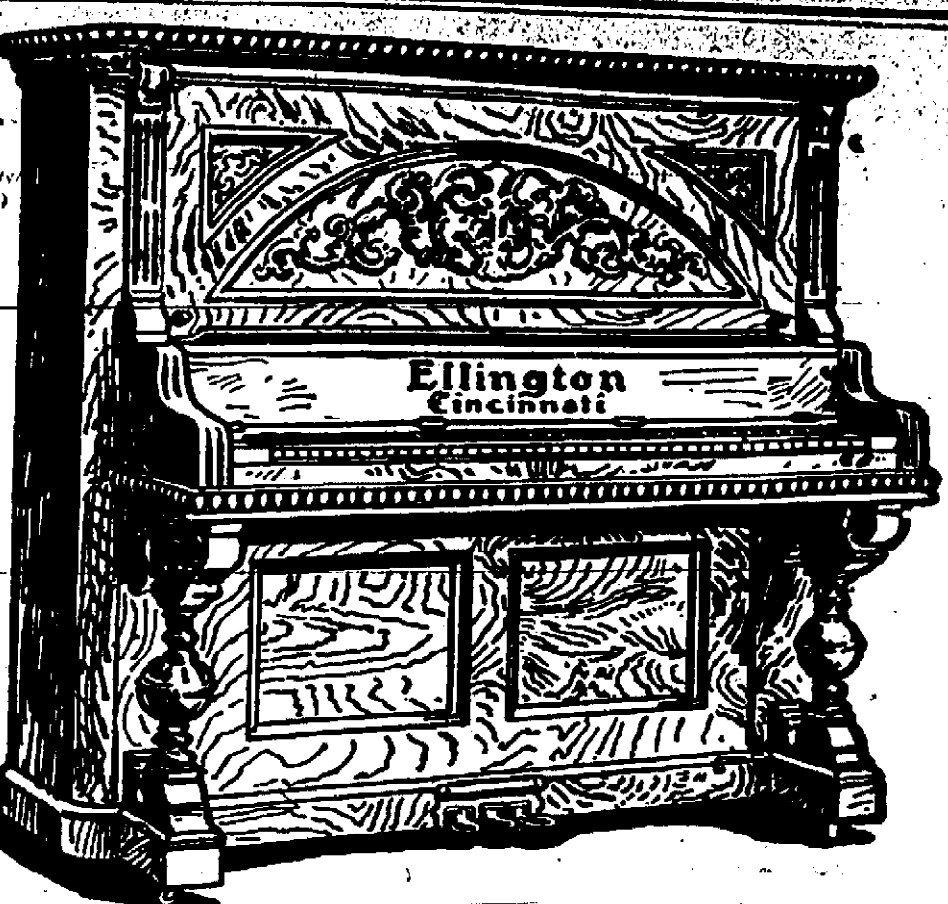
Counting the Cost.

"What's the cost of a marriage license?" asked a youth whose fancy had lightly turned to thoughts of conjugal felicity.

"Well," answered his friend, "30 shillings down and your entire salary each week for the rest of your life!"—London Telegraph.

Where Time Doesn't Count.

A party of East Indian natives were sitting in a row on the platform of a station after the train left, and, being asked the reason of the men replied, "Oh, sahib, we are waiting till the tickets are cheap."



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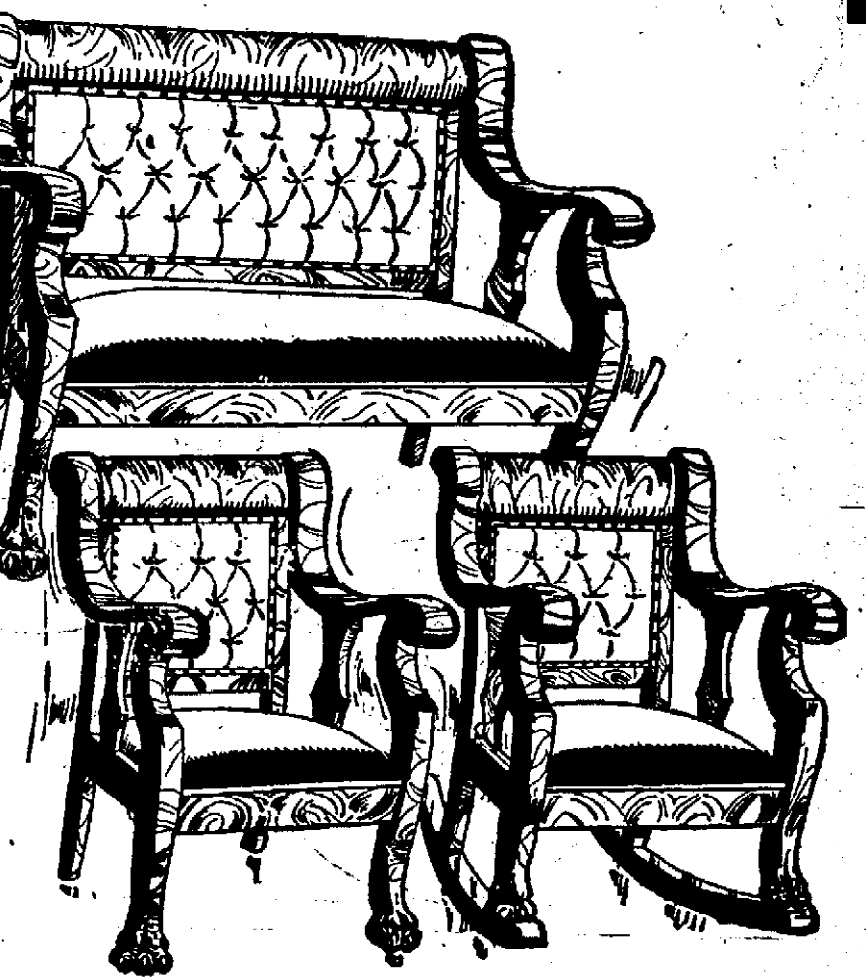
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RESTAURANTS.

They Really Had Their Origin in the First French Revolution.

The restaurant of the present time had its origin in the first French revolution, toward the close of the eighteenth century. And the reputation of the French for good cookery and the delicacy of taste in eating as well as in producing toothsome dishes and morsels dates practically from the same time.

That revolution meant ruin to many noble families, and their downfall meant ruin also for their chefs, so some of the latter hit upon the idea of opening houses where dainties prepared by their skilled hands could be obtained. If the experiment succeeded the chefs would be as well off as when in service. The idea was pleasing to the public, the restaurants did a large business, and the proprietors had no reason to regret the revolution from a monetary point of view.

Then it occurred to others that the people might appreciate being educated up to this fine cookery, and many books on the culinary art were published and sold well. One of the most noted of these was "The Gourman Almanack," which appeared in 1798. Restaurant really means "restoring" and was applied to these places because you went there to have something to revive or restore your failing strength.

MAKING NEEDLES.

Various Processes Through Which the Steel Wire Must Pass.
Needles are made from steel wire, which is first cut by shears from coils into the length of the needles to be

made. After a bath of such bits as have been cut out they are placed in a furnace, then rolled until perfectly straight. Next the needle pointer takes up a dozen or so of the wires and rolls them between his thumb and finger, with their ends on a turning grindstone, first one and then the other being ground. The little steel bobbins are next fed into a machine which flattens and gutters the heads, after which the eyes are punched.

They are now complete needles, but rough and easily bent. Careful heating and sudden cooling gives them the necessary temper, and nothing remains but to give them their final polish. On a coarse cloth needles are spread to the number of 40,000 or 50,000. Emery dust is strewn over them, oil is sprinkled on and soft soap daubed over the cloth, which, rolled tightly, is thrown into a pot with others, where it rolls about for twelve hours or more.

When taken from this friction bath the needles require only rinsing in clean hot water, when they are ready to be sorted and packed.—Chicago Tribune.

Fulton and the Clermont.

The first trip of Robert Fulton up the Hudson river in the Clermont was thus described in the American Citizen of Aug. 17, 1810:

"Mr. Fulton's ingenious Steam Boat, invented with a view to the Navigation of the Mississippi from New Orleans upwards. Sails today from the North River, near the State Prison, to Albany. The Velocity of The Steam Boat is Calculated at four miles an hour. It is said that it will make a progress of two against The Current of The Mississippi, and if so it will certainly be a very valuable acquisition to the Commerce of the Western States."

According to Edward Hazaman Hall's history, the Clermont made the trip to Albany in thirty-two hours. The state prison referred to stood on the block in New York now bounded by Washington, West Tenth, West and Charles Streets, in old Greenwich village.

LAW OF WARS.

The Code Now in Use Among All the Civilized Nations.

The "laws of war" as at present formulated by the civilized nations forbid the use of poison against an enemy; murder by treachery, as, for example, assuming the uniform or displaying the flag of a foe; the murder of those who have surrendered, whether upon conditions or at discretion; declarations that no quarter will be given to an enemy; the use of such arms or projectiles as will cause unnecessary pain or suffering to an enemy; the abuse of a flag of truce to gain information concerning an en-

emy's positions; all unnecessary destruction of property, whether public or private.

They also declare that only fortified places shall be besieged; open cities or villages not to be subject to siege or bombardment; that public buildings of whatever character, whether belonging to church or state, shall be spared; that plundering by private soldiers or their officers shall be considered inadmissible; that prisoners shall be treated with common humanity; that the personal effects and private property of prisoners, except their arms and ammunition, shall be respected; that the population of an enemy's country shall be considered exempt from participation in the war unless by hostile acts they provoke the attack of the enemy.

Personal and family honor and the religious conviction of an invaded people must be respected by the invaders and all passage by regular troops or their followers strictly forbidden.—New York Herald.

The Electric Fan.

Back in the early eighties Dr. S. S. Wheeler, an electrical engineer of New York, was experimenting with a small electric motor. In the course of his experiments the doctor conceived the idea that steamboats might be run with electricity if the propellers could be directly connected to high speed electric motors, doing away with all the gears then in use in steam propulsion. With this idea in mind he had a small screw propeller constructed and fastened it to the armature shaft of his small motor. To his surprise the experiment resulted in a fine breeze of cooling air which more than delighted the experimenter, for the day was decidedly hot. It is needless to add that the experiments with screw propellers ended right there, and the engineer took up the study of the electric fan, with the result that he soon perfected the device until it was a commercial success.

Bonnyclabber.

New drinks have sometimes a glorious and brief popularity. Lord Stratford, writing to Lord Cottington in 1635, extols "bonnyclabber," which he says "is the bravest, freshest drink you ever tasted. Your Spanish don would, on the heats of Madrid, hang his nose and shake his beard an hour over every sop he took of it and take it to be the drink of the gods all the while."

No one, however, seems to know the exact composition of the seductive "bonnyclabber," although from an allusion to it by Ben Jonson it would seem to have been a mixture of beer and buttermilk.—London Chronicle.

Puzzled the Packer.

The first organized work of women in a relief corps was led by Florence Nightingale in the Crimean war of 1855. So unaccustomed were people to that service at the time that it called out some curious comment. Writing of "Chinese" Gordon, Dr. Butler tells in his book, "Ten Great and Good Men," how the boys at Cambridge met the call upon them for hospital stores.

One day a letter came suddenly from the war office telling us that any warm clothes for the invalids at Scutari would be prized by Miss Florence Nightingale. At once in every college a committee was extemporized of leading undergraduates, charged to collect presents of flannel jackets, trousers, "blazers," rugs, greatcoats, furs, even sealskins.

In a few hours box after box was filled with these treasures, and all the boxes were kindly and gratuitously packed for us by the leading upholsterer of the town, his foreman simply remarking to me in a tone which General Gordon would have enjoyed: "A nice consignment for a lady, sir."

Cause of Twilight.

Twilight is a phenomenon caused by atmospheric refraction. When the sun gets below the horizon we are not immediately plunged into the darkness of night. Although the sun is below our horizon, rays of solar light are bent or refracted by the terrestrial atmosphere and continue to furnish some slight illumination. The process continues with diminishing intensity until the sun is so far below the horizon that the refracting power of the atmosphere is no longer able to bend the rays enough to produce a visible effect. The time after sunset that the sun reaches such a position varies with the latitude of the place. There is less twilight at the tropic zone than at the temperate or frigid zone. This is due to less time taken by the sun's rays to pass through the atmosphere, at the tropic zone the sun's rays being perpendicular and at the temperate and frigid zones oblique.—New York American.

With a Grain of Salt.

The earliest record of the saying "with a grain of salt" dates back to the year 63 B. C., when the great Pompey entered the palace of Mithridates and discovered among his private papers the description of an antidote against poisons of all sorts, which was composed of pounded herbs. These, according to the recipe, were to be taken with a grain of salt. Whether this was meant seriously or as a warning sarcasm is not known, but thenceforth it became the custom to say that doubtful preparations should be taken with a grain of salt. From this the meaning got transferred to sayings of doubtful truth. "Attic salt" was a Greek synonym for wit or penetration, and the Latin word "sal" had somewhat of the same meaning. It is thus easy to see how the saying "cum grano salis" could have come to mean the necessity of accepting doubtful or suspicious statements "with a grain of salt."

Molokai and the Lepers.

The general idea of the leper settlement on the island of Molokai is wrong, says a writer in Harpers Weekly. Instead of the entire island being used for the leper colony the settlement comprises only eight square miles out of a total area of 261 square miles. It occupies a tongue of land on the northern side of Molokai. The north, east and west shores of this tiny spit are washed by the Pacific, while on the south side rise precipitous cliffs of from 1,800 to 4,000 feet, which make the isolation seem even more hopeless than the beautiful deep blue waters of the sea ever could. The most difficult and dangerous trail, constantly manned by government guards, foils escape, if it were ever contemplated, by the land side.

Stupid Husband of a Noted Singer.

Catalani's husband, a handsome Frenchman, was even more intellectual than his wife—he was stupid. Once, having found the pitch of the piano too high, she said after the rehearsal to her husband: "The piano is too high. Will you see that it is made lower before the concert?" When the evening came Catalani was annoyed to find that the piano had not been altered. Her husband sent for the carpenter, who declared that he had sawed off two inches from each leg, as he had been ordered to do. "Surely it can't be too high now, my dear," said the stupid husband soothingly.

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1783—Thomas Macdonough, hero of a brilliant victory over the British on Lake Champlain. Sept. 11, 1814, born; died 1825.
1805—Joseph Smith, Mormon prophet, born; killed Jan. 27, 1844.
1889—Henry Woodfin Grady, editor and orator, leader of the "new south," died; born 1850.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.)
Sun sets 4:33, rises 7:18; moon rises 12:40 a. m.; planet Mercury visible.

Sensible Gifts

Just now the newspaper advertisements teem with suggestions for Christmas gifts. Some of these suggestions are most timely, and as they are usually by made, experienced purveyors for the Christmas trade, it is well to give heed to them, particularly by those who find themselves at a loss to make a selection at the last moment. The judgement of the experienced retail store manager is invariably good.

Christmas giving is a fine art. To attain its full purpose the gift should be of such a nature that in addition to the pleasure of being remembered, the remembrance itself should continue to bring pleasure to the recipient as long as associations are utilized. For this reason a sensible gift, chosen with a knowledge of the desires and tastes of the recipient, is the most successful gift of all. Innumerable instances might be mentioned, but the exercise of good common sense should be sufficient guide. Most young ladies would appreciate a pair of nice gloves in preference to an impossible celluloid toilet set, and a young man would prefer a nice tie or a muffler he could use too shaving set made for looks and not utility. The busy housewife and mother would no doubt appreciate a carpet sweeper more than an embroidered chair tidy and "the old man" would have many thrills of pleasure to get in his Christmas stocking a box of "Pollocks" instead of the things the women folks think he ought to have.

Thus it is along the whole line. It is a pleasure to be remembered but if the gift brings pleasure besides in filling a long-felt want, then Christmas giving has reached its highest degree of fulfillment.

The Three R's

Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, superintendent of Education in Pennsylvania who stands at the head of public educators, showed an appreciative grasp of the essentials of popular education when he stated in a address at the Washington county institute that it is not a question of what to put into a common school curriculum, but what to take out. In other words, the common branches are to be skimmed over in order to get a smattering of some of the higher branches before pupils drop out of school. Those who leave school at the age of 15 or 16 years, are not thoroughly grounded in the common branches,

which should be the basis of their education, and not having a comprehensive grasp of the higher ones, are handicapped in the battle of life.

In the days of the ungraded schools of the old red school houses, pupils at the age of 14 or 15 years had usually passed through all the text books of the common branches. This is about the age when they pass into the high school of the graded schools and take up higher branches. Not having these high schools, the pupils of the red school house days spent the next two years or more, reviewing and going over again the common branches. In the farming districts in particular, many pupils could attend the district schools in the winter time until they reached their majority. When these left school they could "work any example" in any of the arithmetics, know all the rules of grammar, could parse, analyze and construct any kind of a sentence, knew United States history from beginning to end by heart, had geography at their tongue's ends, could spell like an expert and write a good plain Spencerian hand.

Although not having any of the higher accomplishments of the high school of today, young men and women with the three R's thoroughly grounded into them were not so badly handicapped by lack of educational advantages as educators of today seem to believe. While perhaps their intellects lacked the broadening effects of higher education, their basic and fundamental knowledge was better, which made them more apt students in the "college of hard knocks," which gives the final educational touches to all. Dr. Schaeffer's theory is correct. For those who must leave school at an early age a fundamental knowledge of the common branch better equips them for the duties of life than an incomplete knowledge of these branches and a smattering of some of the higher ones.

Beats Joseph's Crop

Such was the magnitude of the crop of corn raised by Joseph in Egypt in the time of Pharaoh that it was thought worthy of record in the Bible, says a writer in Munsey's Magazine. We cannot tell accurately as by measurement reduced to American bushels, that this harvest of Egyptian grain was. All that we know is that it was of such amplitude as to amaze the rulers of Egypt and make the country the commercial master of the ancient world.

Yet it was undoubtedly much smaller than the harvest of Indian corn or maize which the American farmers secured in the early autumn of 1910. That is estimated in round numbers at 3,121,000,000 bushels. Curiously enough, the number of bushels of Indian corn harvested by the farmers of America is approximately equivalent to the number of dollars in actual circulation throughout the United States. That is to say, if it were necessary to buy outright the corn crop of last autumn, and to pay for it in cash at the rate of one dollar a bushel, then, in order to do this, there would be needed every dollar of money now in circulation.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

A fussy old dame from Brest, For embroidery led all the rest; She crunched a nail In her husband's shirt tail, Who sat down and remarked, "Well, I'm blest!"

Broke, broke, absolutely broke; It may seem funny, but it is no joke, When you're hungry and you're thirsty And have nothing left to soak, B-r-o-k-e spells broke.

Sentimentality

"Your eyes are nature's opera glasses in them see the brooklet's ripple For you, Dear Heart, I'd conquer worlds, I'd crack a safe or rob a cripple."

The worst of it is that you can get fooled watching a man the same as you can trusting him.

About the only fellows to be trusted in this world are the fellows who don't ask credit.

Dr. Schaeffer, the State school superintendent, says that there is to much in the school curriculum of today. That must be balm to the spirit of the old-timer, whose ability

is limited to instruction in the three R's.

In some of the church entertainment programs, Santa Claus has to figure as incognito.

It must be a source of wonder to the children how one place can support so many Santas.

The congressional Record has begun its circulation with all the regularity of clockwork.

New County Project May Reach Next Session of Legislature

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keep within the requirements of the constitution. Article 13 of the constitution says:

"No one county shall be established which shall reduce any county to less than 400 square miles or to less than 20,000 inhabitants; nor shall any county be formed of less area, or containing a less population; nor shall any line thereof pass within ten miles of the county seat of any county proposed to be divided."

The accompanying map made for The Belle Vernon Enterprise in 1895, shows just how this could be accomplished. Since that time the county seat towns have all extended their limits, and Pittsburgh particularly, has taken in a lot more territory. However, according to a Supreme court decision the county seat is merely the courthouse property and not the entire municipality.

Since the map was made Monessen and Donora have both been incorporated and both are near the center of the proposed new county. With their big steel mills and other varied industries they add to an incalculable extent to the importance of the community.

ENGINEERS ON P. R. R. GET WAGE INCREASE

About 8,000 engineers of the Pennsylvania railroad have been granted an increase in wages ranging from 10 to 25 per cent, the advance being retractive, thus giving the men the advantage of the additional pay from the time the railroad made a settlement with the trainmen last summer. The advance does not affect engineers on the lines west of Pittsburgh, these men having been granted an increase in wages before the settlement was made with the trainmen. The increase however, is made on the same basis as the advance granted the engineers on the Lines West, thus placing the employees of the lines east and west on an equal footing.

VIEWERS INSPECT LOCK 4 PROPERTY

A board of viewers appointed by the court sometime go in the damage claim from the Borough of North Charleroi by John Dowd, by reason of a fill made an inspection of the premises yesterday afternoon, and January 3 has been set as the date for the hearing of witnesses at the office of D. M. McCoskey. A report will thereafter be filed and presented to the court.

The members of the board were Henry Sheets, George W. Might, John H. Bowers, Warren Gibson and June Gable.

Entertains For Daughter

Mrs. Minto Shipe entertained at her home on Oakland avenue Thursday afternoon in honor of her daughter Dorothy, whose 11th birthday was an event of that date. About 25 of Dorothy's friends were present. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with Christmas colors. The afternoon was pleasantly spent by the young folks with games of a varied nature, and a lunch was served.

Mrs. Nancy Ucraft

Mrs. Nancy Ucraft, 55 years old, the wife of William Ucraft, of 216 Meadow avenue died last night at 11:50 o'clock, after an illness of some duration from cancer of the liver. The funeral arrangements have not been completed yet, but interment will take place in the Franklin cemetery at Franklin. The husband and six children survive.

Mr. Berryman Improved

J. W. Berryman the local merchant, who suffered a severe stroke of paralysis on Sunday morning was this morning reported somewhat improved.

Suspenders, Suspender Sets in Boxes 50c, 75c, \$1 \$1.50

Boys' and Men's Coat Sweaters 50c to \$3.50

Neckwear in Holiday Boxes 25c, 50c, \$1

NEW MEMBERS ARE INITIATED BY LADY MACCABEES

Eight new members were initiated into membership with the Lady Maccabees at their meeting last evening. The local order is trying hard to reach the \$25,000 insurance mark. A large class will be initiated in Carnegie Hall, Northside, Pittsburgh, December 30, and a number of Charleroi Lady Maccabees have signified their intention of being present.

Eighteen members from Donora Hive came last night by sled and were guests of the Charleroi Hive. Mrs. Riggle, a member of the local hive celebrated her eighteenth wedding anniversary yesterday, and a little surprise was prepared for her, the members presenting her with some piece of linens. After the business session a bounteous lunch was served and all enjoyed a social time.

LUMBER FALLS ON FRENCHMAN

Caught under an overturned load of oak lumber, Setina Peston, a Frenchman aged about 42 years, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon near Mingo. The accident was a most peculiar one.

Peston for the past three years had been in the employ of C. W. Myers who has been operating a sawmill on the Burkheffer farm near Mingo. Yesterday afternoon he started for Monongahela with a sled and team hauling about 1,000 feet of oak lumber. Just below Mingo the load upset in the road. Peston was caught under the load. The horses stopped when the accident occurred.

A few minutes later a motorman on an interurban car saw the overturned load and the standing horses and stopped his car to investigate. He saw a corner of Peston's coat under the lumber and summoned aid. Jacks were secured and the lumber finally lifted. The man was dead when taken out. An examination showed that no bones had been broken but apparently death had been instantaneous.

The body was taken to Finleyville and this morning was brought to Lock No. 4 where funeral services were held this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The interment was at Monongahela. Peston was unmarried and the only known relative is a brother living in Carnegie.

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IMPORTED PIPES—This is an especial line imported direct.
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A fine line of Cigars in Holiday boxes and a full assortment of Tobacco. We can satisfy here the customer who is looking for the very best.
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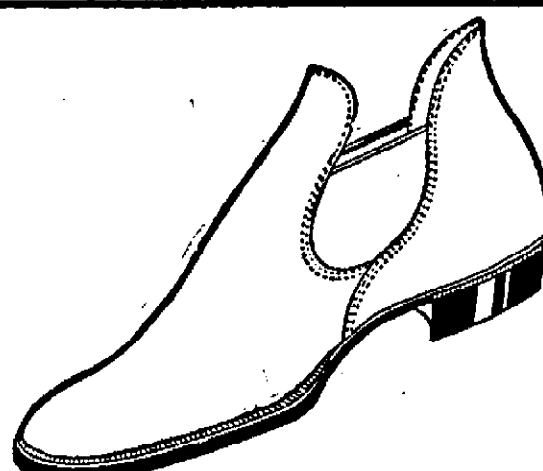
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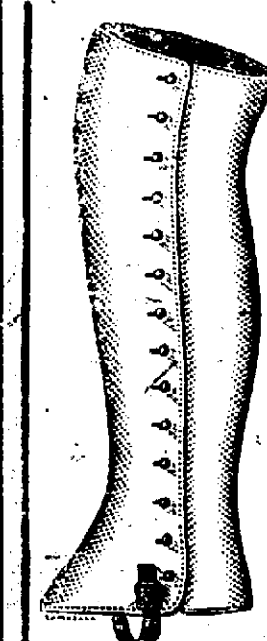
Men's \$3 Romeos in tan and black, regular \$3.50 grade, our Xmas price, \$1.95

Men's tan, black and red Opera Slippers worth \$1.50, our Xmas price.....98c

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Good warm leggings of velvet, kersey cloth and corduroy (sizes 2 to 8 years). Nicest kind of a Christmas gift. High cut like picture. Best H. J. and S. make in all colors—tan, red, gray, brown, blue, black, etc., special at 69c and 39c.

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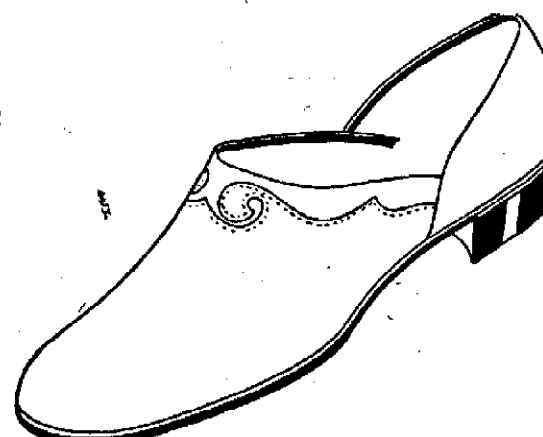
An item of special interest, these ever popular boots are here in all sizes for women and Misses. Extra high cut. Finest quality leather, gun metal or patent colt. Red, tan or black tops. Other stores sell them at \$4.00, \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50. At our two-day special sale, your choice at \$2.45, \$1.95, \$1.69 and \$1.24

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Ladies' warm shoes......98
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If the pure glycerin be exposed for a long time to a freezing temperature it crystallizes with the appearance of sugar candy, but these crystals being once melted it is almost an impossibility to get them again into the congealed state. If a little water be added to the glycerin no crystallization will take place though under a sufficient degree of cold the water will separate and form crystals, amid which the glycerin will remain in its natural state of fluidity. If suddenly subjected to intense cold pure glycerin will form a gummy mass which cannot be entirely hardened or crystallized. Altogether it is quite a peculiar substance.

STEALING A HORSE.

A Bold Afghan Robber Who Had a Sense of Humor.

An East Indian officer, writing of life in Peshawar in the early seventies of the last century, relates the following:

The medical officer of my regiment was informed one night that a valuable and favorite Arab steed of his had been stolen. Over the border, gone forever, he never expected to see his horse again, but next day, much to his surprise, there came to him a bearded Afghan riding bare backed the stolen steed.

He confessed that he had taken the animal, but, learning that it was the property of a hakim (physician), had brought it back. The horse had been tethered in line with others, with men, women and children sleeping in the open about them.

"How did you manage it?" asked the doctor.

"If the sahib will give the necessary order," he said, "I will show him."

The entire scene was reproduced, even to the night watchman asleep in a corner. Noiselessly the Afghan crawled toward the Arab, treading snake-like through the prostrate forms

to where it was standing at the end of the row. Softly hissing to attract the animal's attention without causing alarm, he gently raised himself with arm extended.

In his open palm were some lumps of goor (native sugar), beloved of horses, and while the Arab was enjoying these the man was caressing him with the other hand, whence suspended a watering bottle taken from his wallet. Quickly this was adjusted and then, stroking soothingly, the robber passed his hand over the animal's back and down the hind quarters. Swiftly the heel ropes were unhitched, then the head gear released, and with a bound he was astride and away, his right hand backward flung, shouting triumphantly as he passed, "Thus was it done!"

The joke was that he never came back! A double restitution would have been too much of a wrench.

A MAN'S WHISKERS.

They Should Not Be Renovated With the Shoebrush.

If men would devote as much loving care to their whiskers as women do to their hair they would contribute greatly to increasing the dignity of the sex.

A woman wouldn't think of coming downtown without having her hair properly arranged. She combs it, and fusses with it, and pads it out with rats, and puts wire cages under it, and runs ribbons through it, and she is a vision of loveliness when she appears in the busy haunts of men.

But a man gives his whiskers no attention further than to brush the eggshells or clam chowder out of them with the shoebrush. It never seems to occur to him that his whiskers might be made beautiful if he would devote one-half the time to them that a woman gives to her hair. He might easily have made a wire cage to attach to his chin, and then he could weave his whiskers around it in captivating styles and tie the ends together with a pink or blue ribbon.

The alfalfa editor gets tired of seeing the same old fashions in whiskers when it would be so easy to devise new and striking ways of wearing them.

There should be a whiskers club in Emporia. If such an organization were formed and the members had weekly meetings to exchange ideas and compare notes the results would soon be apparent. The town's whiskers would soon become distinctive, and their reputation would cover the country.

Let us have a new deal in spinach.—Emporia Gazette.

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Veal roast.....15c to 18c
Stewing veal.....10c to 15c
Lamb stew.....3 for 25c
Lamb chops and roasts.....12 1/2c
Leg of lamb.....12 1/2c
Soup meat.....6c to 10c
Chuck roast.....2 lbs. for 25c

Rib roast.....14c
Boiling Pork.....12 1/2c to 10c
Roasting pork.....14c to 16c
Liver pudding.....3 lbs. for 25c
Weiners.....2 lbs. for 25c
Ring bologna and smoked sausage.....10c
Fresh Sausage.....16c
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Our factory in New York has shipped its display goods to Charleroi to be disposed of. This shipment was caused by the fact that room must be had in order to store the Spring and Summer goods that are now being manufactured. This shipment has filled our store to overflowing and our instructions are to get rid of them at once and to put a price on them that will make them move fast. As the order was to move them we must comply and

All Our Goods Must be Sold at Half Price

Remember this one half price sale is for Saturday and is just one day before Christmas. It is a chance of a lifetime to get good seasonable goods at half price. You can buy the goods now and begin paying for them next year. Goods at one half off with a privilege of paying for them at your convenience is a rare opportunity.

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\$12.50 Suits for.....	\$ 6.25
15.00 " "	7.50
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Men's Overcoats—

\$15.00 Overcoats	\$ 7.50
18.00 " "	9.00
20.00 " "	10.00
22.00 " "	11.00
30.00 " "	15.00

Ladies' Suits—

\$15.00 Suits for.....	\$ 7.50
22.50 " "	11.25
25.00 " "	12.50
27.50 " "	13.75
30.00 " "	15.00
35.00 " "	17.50
40.00 " "	20.00

Ladies' Long Coats—

\$15.00 and \$19 Plush Coats	\$ 9.98
25.00 Caraculs for	12.50
30.00 Caraculs for	15.00
35.00 Caraculs for	19.98

Cloth Coats, Mixtures, Worsteds, Serges, Broadcloths and Cashmere. All reduced one-half.

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SHOPPING ABROAD.

A Timely Word of Warning For the American Woman.

There is a little lecture in one of the English weeklies for the benefit of the American woman who travels and shops abroad.

"American woman," says our little, "even those with riches in abundance, are eminently practical as well as economical, though as shoppers they leave much to be desired, for many of them forget that the English business man has fixed prices and is not to be beaten down as if he were an oriental."

The criticism is doubtless a just one, but the writer need not have gone so far from home as the Orient to find her comparison, since in more than one country on the continent the American woman has had to learn the art of bargaining over the price of also pay the one that has been made especially for Americans.

But it is a mistake to attempt to carry such a practice into England for it is as much of a blunder to try to employ the methods of the Oriental or Italian merchants in London or Regent street as it would be to enter a department store and attempt to make the merchant lower his marked price.

The American woman who does not wish to encounter a bit of the eye brows when she enters the best London shops will do well to bear this fact in mind.

But, as if the writer were remorseful for this little scolding which she has given the American woman, she hastens to make amends by commending her American sister for another form of economy which she practices. "Our sisters across the Atlantic," she adds, "take greater care of their clothes than we do, and in this respect they show a better understanding of the word economy. Their pretty flower trimmed hats when worn while motoring are covered with a daintily draped waterproof silk cover chosen with discrimination to match the costume or the color of the car."

Long and Short Story Writers. Which are the great short stories of the English language? Not a bad basis for a debate! This I am sure of—that there are far fewer supremely good short stories than there are supremely good long books. It takes more exquisite skill to carve the cameo than the statue. But the strangest thing is that the two excellences seem to be separate and even antagonistic. Skill in the one by no means insures skill in the other. The great masters of our literature, Fielding, Scott, Dickens, Thackeray and Reade, have left no single short story of outstanding merit behind them.

The Symbolism Didn't Appeal.

"Charlie," sorrowfully sighed the young lady in the parlor of the concrete house on Washington avenue, "it is nearly 12 o'clock."

"Yes, Belinda," was the breathing response of her poetical companion, who was sitting on the sofa beside her, "the minute hand is drawing closer to the hour hand, and when the time of midnight is chimed the two hands will be even as one. Oh, darling Belinda," he continued as he literally simulated the action of the minute hand, "may not the coming together of those two hands be symbolical of us?"

She broke away and stood firmly on her feet. "No, Charles Henry Smith," she retorted angrily, "those two hands will remain as one but a single second, and then the minute hand will divorce itself and go on its way alone. No, Mr. Smith, a minute hand that doesn't stick isn't the kind of symbolism I want!"—Chicago News.

Dividing a Long Sermon.

Dr. Samuel Ingham of the last half of the eighteenth century, who used to preach two or three hours, like Isaac Barrow, was a legend. In detaining his congregation, on one occasion, after preaching nearly two hours, as long as he could feel secure in the presence of all his hearers, he remarked that he was done preaching to sinners and that they were at liberty to go; the rest of his discourse would be addressed to good people.

A gentleman who once went to hear him stated that when the hourglass was nearly ready to be turned a second time from the commencement of his sermon he said, much to the relief of the person who related it, "Once more." After going on some eight or ten minutes longer he said, "To conclude," and after another about equal interval he said, "Lastly."

The gentleman added that he expected every moment to hear him say "Everlastingly."

Fielding at Lisbon.

Lisbon contains the grave of Henry Fielding. It was on Oct. 4, 1754, that Fielding died in the Portuguese capital, and it was in 1830 that his tomb was erected in the English cemetery. And Fielding didn't like Lisbon. "As the houses, convents, churches, etc., are large," he wrote, "and all built with white stone, they look beautiful at a distance, but as you approach nearer and find them to want every kind of ornament all idea of beauty vanishes at once." At that time a voyage to Lisbon was an undertaking not lightly to be contemplated. It took Fielding exactly fifty days of foul weather.—St. James' Gazette.



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Rib Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Veal Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Regular Hams	15c
Chuck Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Stewing Veal	11c	California Hams	14c
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Whistler as a Horseman.

Boggs, a cadet cavalry officer at West Point academy, was an assistant in the riding hall. On one occasion he overheard Whistler, who thoroughly disliked to ride, objecting strenuously to the horse brought for his use. The horse, he argued, was too heavily built and much too large for a man of his size. Whistler, with much vehemence, urged the man next him to "swap." The man with whom he wished to exchange horses was of muscular build and a "pretty generous size" and his horse a lightweight animal, so it seemed to Whistler that it would be a "most fitting exchange."

"Oh, don't swap! Don't you swap. Mr. Whistler!" cried the dragon "Yours is a war horse, sir!" "A war horse?" exclaimed Whistler. "That settles it. I certainly don't want him."

"Yes, you do, sir," reiterated the man. "He's a war horse, I tell you, for he'd rather die than run."—Century.

Among Those Present.

Commenting with light irony on the pretensions of a certain nouveau riche, a contributor to Paris Figaro questions whether men of this type are any stiffer than those of a past generation who belonged to well known families of long descent.

"There was one of the family of Crox," this contributor writes, "who was fond of showing an old painting of Noah entering the ark and crying out:

"Sauvez les papiers de la maison de Crox!" (Save the records of the house of Crox!)

Corrected His Error. With the Germans the absentminded college professor is a stock source of witticisms.

One of these deeply absorbed gentlemen, sitting on a rear seat, thought he knew a person sitting in front and was about to speak to him when the stranger by chance turning a little, the professor saw that he was mistaken.

Nevertheless, touching him on the shoulder, he remarked politely: "You will excuse me, but you are not the person I thought you were."

Made It Clear.

Now, Charlie, says the Boston Globe, don't get these things twisted: You eat bivalves; see through binoculars, ride bicycles, wish you had airplanes and marry bipeds.

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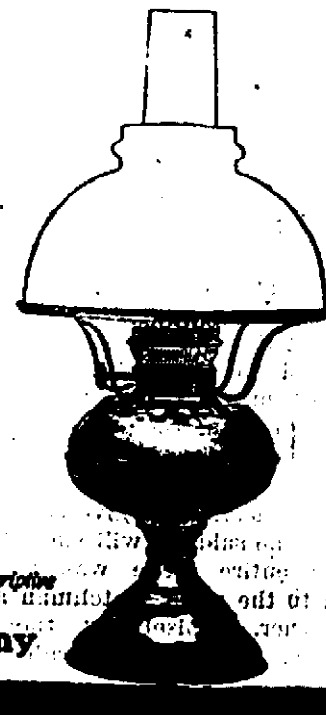
The Ray is a low-priced lamp. You may pay \$5, \$10 or even \$20 for other lamps and get a more expensive container—but you cannot get a better light than the Rayo gives.

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Here are a few suggestions taken at random from our stock. We have many more articles in Men's Wear suitable for gifts and suggest that you take time to look over our offerings and note our money saving prices

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that you have had in your mind? Do not wait until Saturday, but come today while THE BIG NEW STORE is full of the most practical gifts that can be given, and best of all, we can fit your pocketbook.

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A \$12.50 solid guaranteed oak rocker upholstered in genuine No. 1 Leather for **\$9.25**

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- We are showing more styles of doll go-carts than all the other stores put together. They start at 49c and up to \$8.50.
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- Stands from 75c to \$27.50.
- Gas and Electric Lamps from \$3.75 to \$25.00.
- Pictures from 10c up.
- Cut glass, brass goods and fancy china at prices that will close them out quick.

Come early while the selection is good and our sales force can better wait on you. All goods stored until Xmas.

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The Big New Store 416-418 Fallowfield Avenue Charleroi, Pa.

When the Hen Crows.

Willsford in his "Nature Secrets" (1658) writes: "Beasts eating greedily and more than they used to do prenotes foul weather, and all small cattle that seem to rejoice with playing and sporting themselves foreshews rain. Oxen and all kinds of neat, if you do at any time observe them to hold up their heads and snuffle in the air or lick their hooves or their bodies against the hair, expect then rainy weather. Asses or mules rubbing often their ears or braying much more than usually they are accustomed presages rain. Hogs crying and running up and down with hay or litter in their mouths foreshews a storm to be near at hand. The little sable beast (called a flea) if much thirsting after blood it argues rain. The cock if he crows in the daytime very much or at sunset or when he is at roost at unusual hours, as at 9 or 10, expect some change of weather and that suddenly, but from fair to foul or the contrary. But when the hen crows good men expect a storm within doors and without."

Lured Into Bathing.

In a railway carriage chat the other day a London medical man told a good story which had come within his own experience. A mother was frequently bringing her child to him for treatment, but the doctor could discover nothing amiss except its need of a good wash. She was certain the infant was suffering from some terrible complaint and begged the doctor to do his best. He prescribed a daily wash with the water in which potatoes had been peeled. Never suspecting that this was merely a ruse to get the child washed, the mother followed the instructions to the letter. Rosy cheeks appeared, and a clean, healthy looking child gladdened the mother's heart. She sounded the doctor's praises everywhere and advised other mothers to test the efficacy of potato water. It never occurred to her that precisely the same result would have followed the daily application of soap and water.

A Spanish Ship Treasure.

In 1702 the largest bulk of treasure ever taken from a ship at sea was brought into London. It was the whole of the cargo of the Spanish ship Hermone, captured on May 21 by H. M. S. Active. The Hermone surrendered to the Active without an action, and the treasure was landed at Portsmouth and conveyed to London in twenty decorated wagons, with British colors over Spanish and an escort party of sailors. The strange procession reached Lon-

don on Aug. 12, the day on which George IV. was born. On being sold the treasure realized \$519,705 1s. 6d., and the share of the officers and men of the Active was as follows: The captain, \$65,053 13s. 9d.; three commissioned officers, each \$13,004 14s. 1d.; eight warrant officers, each \$4,336 3s. 2d.; twenty petty officers, each \$1,806 1s. 8d.; 158 seamen, each \$485 5s. 4d.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Jury Penalties

Nowadays no penalty is enforced when the twelve men chosen to form the jury are unable to agree upon a verdict. Formerly, however, a refractory jurymen was committed to prison and the verdict of the eleven was taken. In the reign of King Edward III. the judges decided that a verdict given by a majority was a nullity and recommended that the judges should carry the jury about with them in a cart till they should agree. The old custom that jurors should fast until they had agreed in their verdict prevailed long, but was mercifully relaxed somewhat in Tudor times, and during Queen Elizabeth's reign a banquet was usually given to the jury by the successful party to a suit.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Science and Cheese.

A medical authority kindly assures us that as long as cheese isn't decayed it will not affect the health of the consumer. This is a fact that we have suspected for a considerable time. But how is the ordinary cheese epicure to detect the difference unless he waits for results?

There is cheese so thoroughly disguised in the costume and aroma of decay that its proper standing on the sanitary testing table would puzzle a conjurer.

For instance, there is the brand known as Limburger.

But why pursue the subject?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Circumventing Papa.

"Reginald, I'm awfully sorry, but papa says he doesn't want to see you coming here any more."

"Boudicca, your father's wish is law. He shall not see me again if I can help it. What evenings in the week does he spend downtown?"—Chicago Tribune.

Force of Habit.

"A thousand stars are looking down on you this night," said the poetical young man to the girl. And she unconsciously put her hands up to arrange the position of her hat.

FLED FROM BOREDOM.

The Tale of a Purposely Interrupted Yachting Cruise.

A few seasons back a well known hostess chartered a splendid yacht for August and invited a large number of her friends for a three weeks' cruise. At first all went well, though the party was not specially well assorted, but after a few days they began to evince signs of being somewhat bored with each other's company.

The hostess marked these signs of impatient boredom, which became more plainly evident each day, and at last in despair she took counsel with one of her guests, an old and experienced yachtsman.

"What on earth shall I do to amuse these people?" she asked.

The yachtsman looked at the serene sky and calm, blue water and shook his head doubtfully.

"A storm would drive them up a bit," he said, "but the weather looks quite settled. There is only one thing to be done. You must arrange a breakdown; the engineer will manage that all right for you. He has probably often done so before. Then you must make for the nearest port for repairs and let your guests have a run ashore. Some of them, I expect, will find an excuse for bidding you goodbye and those who remain with you will get along all right together."

The hostess took her guest's advice and arrived at Toulon a day later, where high twenty of her guests bid her goodbye.—London M. A. P.

Divides the Waters.

Situated exactly at the highest point of the divide of the Rocky mountains, on the Crow's Nest division of the Canadian Pacific railway, in British Columbia, is a hotel. When it rains in the mountains the water which falls on the eastern slope of the hotel roof trickles away to join a tiny rivulet, which in due time mingles its waters with the Atlantic. The water falling just beyond the ridgepole, on the other side of the roof, flows westerly and ultimately into the Pacific.

Lots of Them.

"There is one thing which has rather puzzled me."

"What is that?"

"When money talks does it always talk cents?"—Baltimore American.

His Argument.

"Dear, I only play poker for fun."

"But you bet, don't you?"

"Well, there wouldn't be any fun without a little betting."—Pittsburg Post.

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Never Deteriorates in Quality, but Careful Buyers can save some Nice Money Here Now.

Round Steak, lb.....	12 1-2c
Sirloin.....	15c
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Chuck Roast.....	12 1-2c
Boneless Rump Roast.....	12 1-2c
Rollad Pot Roast.....	10c
All Lean Boil.....	10c
Lamb Chops.....	15c
Leg of Lamb.....	14c
Stewing Lamb.....	10c

The Pork Market is very high and is going much higher. Have you tried any of our home made Country Sausage? If you haven't ask your neighbor about it.

Loose or Stuffed.....	15c
Pork Loin, Roast and Chops.....	16c
Whole Hams or Shoulders.....	15c
Trimmed Lean.....	15c

We sell nothing but our own home-made lard, every pound guaranteed absolutely pure. Lard is going up but these prices are good for this week.

Single pound or 3 lb. and 5 lb. pails.....16c

10 lb. and 20 lb. pails.....15 1-2c

Remember, every pound guaranteed absolutely pure.

We want to say something to you on the butter question. We have an article of Butterine that looks like country butter, and better still, tastes like country butter, and we can sell it to you for 25 cents per pound. We know if you will buy it once you will come back again. Ask for Jelke's Good Luck brand.

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Charleroi, Pennsylvania

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"Eleventh Hour" Suggestions for Christmas

No matter what resolutions you may have made in regard to early buying in the past, there are times when from some unavoidable cause or reason, you have been unable to purchase the cherished gift earlier. To these we wish to make a few timely suggestions.

For the Housewife

Did it ever occur to you that sweeping is one of the housekeeper's most arduous tasks? And, granted it has, did you ever stop to think how you might lessen her burden? And did you happily think of that great great labor saver---

The Bissell Carpet Sweeper

If you haven't already purchased one for her, why not now? The average broom costs fifty cents. One sweeper outwears twenty brooms--an outlay of ten dollars (\$10.00). Compare this item with the price of our sweepers. Then make her happy and contented by purchasing a "Bissell's" now. Priced at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.25 to \$5.00.

For the Girl

A nice silver meshed purse or a leather hand bag, a scarf, gloves, belts, collars, pins for the hat or belt, brooches and the kindred small things, or a muff, fur set, waist, or waist pattern. There are many things we can suggest if you will come in. Wellesly series books for girls.

For Men

We have a re-order of ties, plenty to select from. Then there are mufflers, sox, handkerchiefs and gloves. Shirts 50c, 1.00 and 1.50; caps and hats 25c to 3.50; Smoking Jackets 4.00 to 8.00; Bath Robes 8.00 to 4.00; Suit Cases and Traveling Bags 1.00 to 12.00; Umbrellas 1.00 to 8.00.

For the Boy

Just arrived--a line of Indian Suits, a supply of cowboy gloves and a lot of Persian ties. We have suits and overcoats and warm caps--very appropriate for gifts. Tie and handkerchief sets, tie, sox and handkerchief sets and hose supporter and suspender sets all neatly boxed.

China

See our china display. The sales have been heavy but we have a good selection left. Why not a beautiful dish? They are appreciated.

Rugs

Our Rugs make beautiful presents. Ask to see our selection. Rugs 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 2.75 to 7.50; Room size 12.00 to 38.50.

BOOKS FOR ALL

DOLLS DOLL CARTS

BERRYMAN'S

Fifth Street and McKean Avenue
Charleroi, Penn.

LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

See the pretty gift sets for men. Suspenders, supporters and arm bands in matched colors in gift boxes at Leslie Campbell Co.'s, 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 11413

Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean avenue. 1081f

The People's Store have received a large stock of Ladies and Men's Suits direct from their factory in New York, which will be sold at one half price. Call and get your Christmas present. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. 11512

China Closets in many pretty designs at Woodward's--241 McKean avenue. 1121f

Born--To Mr. and Mrs. J. Harding of Lincoln avenue a daughter.

Miss Isabel Wilson is home for the holidays from a women's college she is attending in Ohio.

Dr. J. W. Manon is spending the day in McKeesport on business.

Your decision is exchanged for certainty here. Gifts for men in a wide range and everything just "what he wanted." Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean avenue. 1081f

A line of new umbrellas for men and women especially for the Christmas trade from \$1 to \$8. Berryman's. 11512

Correct articles in men's wear, every proper thing here for every occasion. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean avenue. 1081f

Boys Suits, Coat Sweaters, Suits and Overcoats. Stylish apparel for the little fellows--same as Dad wears. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean avenue. 11018

Carroll Gaut is a visitor today in Pittsburgh and will go tonight to Greenburg where he will visit tonight with friends.

Miss Hester Jacobs is a Pittsburgh visitor today.

E. B. Kramer, who has been the singer at the Palace Theatre left today for his home in Portland, Ore.

Mrs. J. B. Tussing is spending the day in Pittsburgh.

J. B. Tussing returned yesterday from a business trip to Altoona.

Buy a Framed Picture for a Christmas gift at Collins Wall Paper Co. Q-24

Boys short pants, suits and overcoats at 10 per cent off regular price and double green stamps with each purchase. Leslie Campbell Co. 413 McKean avenue Charleroi. 11413

Don't waste your money on nonsense or tinsel. Bring the children to our store and get them a new outfit of clothing. You save half and you can begin paying next year. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 11512

Gifts for men--Neckwear, shirts, hosiery, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean. 1081f

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 1121f

Everything suitable for the men folks as well as the women at Berryman's. 11412

If you are short of money we are ready to clothe you now at half price. Begin to pay next year. If you are honest you are good to us. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 11512

Pianos for gifts--why not, the best are here. Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 1121f

A tribe of Sioux Indians just arrived in town 3 to 10 years of age. See them at Berryman's Store, only \$1 per suit. 11512

Handsome Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 1121f

Dinner Sets, fancy china and table sets. Double stamps till Xmas. Barger's, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 10710

Something nice for the men: Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands in matched sets put up in pretty gift boxes. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean avenue. 11018

Buy your dolls at Barger's. Double stamps on all Xmas goods. Dolls 25 cents to \$2.50, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 10710

Santa will deliver all your packages in Adolph's automobile. 11512

For your Christmas Slippers see Adolph. 11512

Men's and ladies slippers 98c. See Adolph. 11512

The People's Store is offering great reductions on their enormous stock of men's clothing. Best opportunity for before Christmas buyers. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue. Next door to 5 and 10 cent store. 11512

Novelties for men--handkerchiefs, neckties and hose, matched sets in holiday boxes. Leslie Campbell Co., 413 McKean avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 11413

BILL INCREASING JUDGES SALARIES MAY BE INTRODUCED

It is stated that a bill will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature for an increase of all the salaries of the judges in the State. According to the provisions of the bill it would affect Washington county by the increase in the salaries of the two judges from \$6,000 to \$7,000 each. If a separate orphan's court should be established the salary of the judge would be the same as that of the common pleas judge.

The bill which will probably be introduced is a Philadelphia measure, and is designed to particularly affect the judges of the larger counties of the State where the duties are unusually arduous and heavy.

POSTOFFICE FORCE HAS HARD TIME TO HANDLE HEAVY MAIL

About the busiest people in town just now are Postmaster J. E. McCordie and his force of clerks and mail carriers at the postoffice. The incoming mails were never heavier, and the outgoing mails have become much more burdensome the last few days.

Postmaster McCordie has secured additional help for the stamp window during the rush, but thus far no substitute carrier has been added, and it is barely possible to handle the mail. Miss Ida Carroll is the additional clerk.

Owing to Christmas coming on Sunday, Saturday will be a big rush day. Today the postoffice presents an appearance similar to a huge department store at its busiest moment. The registered mail matter is especially heavy with presents being sent to Charleroi people from friends elsewhere, and by Charleroi people sending registered packages out-of-town.

The usual Sunday hour will be observed Christmas, from 4 to 6 o'clock. On Monday which will largely be observed as a holiday among business men the postoffice will be open until 9 o'clock in the morning and from 5 to 6 o'clock in the evening.

Classified Ads

FOUND--Muff at Postoffice. Owner may have same by calling at post office and paying for this ad. 1151f

WANTED--Good washerwoman, to take washing home. Inquire 115 Mail office. 11513

LOST--Oval shaped tortoise shell belt pin with ladies' head carved on it. Set in gold rim. Finder please return to 47 Mail office. 11314

FOR RENT--One furnished room. Apply 132 Mail office. 901f

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We are honestly desirous of curing all who are addicted to drink, and if you are interested in any one needing Orlene we invite you to write us. Our correspondence is confidential and our replies are sent in plain sealed envelopes. Orlene No. 1 is the secret treatment and No. 2 for those who wish the voluntary treatment. \$1 per box. Write for free booklet on "How to Cure Drinkiness." The Orlene Co., 400 Orlene Building, Washington, D. C. The leading druggists endorse Orlene. Sold in this city by Piper Brothers Fifth and Fallowfield. 66

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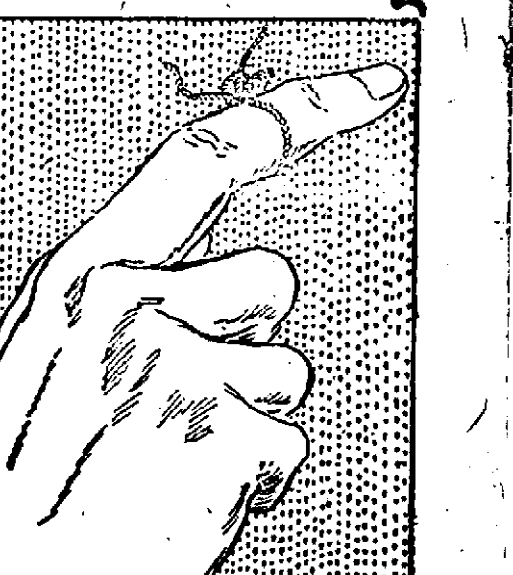
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Get wise, Mr. Merchant, advertise in this paper NOW and tell him of your stock of goods.

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468 Schoonmaker Ave. Monessen, Pa.
Furniture Bought, Sold and Exchanged
Stoves and all Household Goods.

NEW COUNTY PROJECT MAY REACH NEXT SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

Agitation Started Which May Terminate in
Definite Action to Secure Passage of Bill
Giving the Valley and Points Adjacent Right
of Government

PLANS WERE DEFEATED THROUGH POLITICAL
TROUBLE WHEN FIRST EFFORTS WERE MADE

A boom for a new county, to embrace parts of Washington, West moreland, Fayette and Allegheny counties is being agitated for the second time, and it would not be surprising if a bill for its formation is introduced at the forthcoming session of the Legislature. So far the agitation for the project has been confined to a mere discussion of its possibilities and nothing definite has been done.

of Chris Magee, the Pittsburgh Republican leader and David Martin of Philadelphia. Enthusiasm ran high. To Henry Sheets was entrusted the job of working up feeling in favor of the scheme along the valley. He hired bands and chartered a boat, secured oratorical spellers and fairly made things hum in every river community interested.

After the bill had passed two ses-

Contracts Are Let for Roads

Meadowlands and Houston
Roads to Have Four
Kinds of Paving

WANT FAIR TEST GIVEN

After several weeks delay the county commissioners this week awarded the contract for furnishing the brick for the Meadowlands-Houston road. The contract for improving this road has not yet been let, notwithstanding the fact that the bids have been in the hands of the commissioners since November 14 last.

The contracts for the bricks for this road were awarded to four different firms as follows: Pittsburgh Buffalo company, one-fourth at \$15 per 1,000; Donley Brick company, Washington, one fourth at \$12.50 per 1,000; James M. Porter, Toronto block, at \$15 per 1,000 and James M. Porter, American Sewer Pipe Porter block \$15 per 1,000.

The Donley brick is an experiment with the commissioners. It is a red clay brick, while the other bricks heretofore used have been a vitrified fire clay brick. The Donley bricks have been used successfully for paving and have been used in Washington.

No award of contract was made, but the Pittsburgh Buffalo company is the lowest bidder for furnishing brick for the Roscoe-Stockdale road. Bids for the improvement of several roads have been in the hands of the commissioners for several weeks, but no contracts have yet been awarded. It is expected the contracts will be awarded this week. Some of the bids are very close.

Will Aid Project Bond is Accepted

Local Business Men In-
terested in Ship
Canal
RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED

Charleroi business men will co-operate with business men of Pittsburgh and other places in the movement to further the plans toward the building of a ship canal between Lake Erie and the Ohio River. Last night at a specially called meeting of the Charleroi Business Men's association the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved—That the Charleroi Business Men's Association believing that the people of Charleroi are heartily in accord with the movement in Pittsburgh and elsewhere in forming a permanent organization to further the plans toward the building of a Ship Canal between Lake Erie and the Ohio River and that we pledge any assistance within our power for the success of the undertaking. We also commend W. A. Magee, Mayor of Pittsburgh, for the activity he has shown in his enterprise."

Almost Too Late

100 Beautiful Persian and Dresden Head Scarfs just received by Kirk and Clark this morning. The manufacture took a chance and shipped them at this late date at about half price. To sell them quick we offer you choice of the lot for 50 cents. Pretty lilac, pink and blues in the lot. Kirk and Clark. 1162

Play dishes, books, and guns. Double stamps till Xmas at Berger's, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107410

Fine line of Postal Pictures at Collins Wall Paper Co. D-24

MR. TENER HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Governor-Elect Has
Nothing to Say of
Appointments.

RETURNS TO CONGRESS

Will Not Resign as Representative Until Day Before Inauguration.

Governor-elect J. K. Tener, arrived from Washington yesterday where he has been in attendance at the present session of Congress, to spend the holidays at home. With him returned his secretary, Walter Galtier. On January 5 Mr. Tener will return to Congress and with the exception of an occasional trip home remain there until January 16, when he will resign. On January 17 his inauguration as Governor of Pennsylvania will take place at Harrisburg.

Today Mr. Tener and Secretary Galtier turned their attention to the heavy mail which has accumulated, and are getting rid of much correspondence matter.

On the matter of appointments Governor-elect Tener has not a word to say, and will likely make no announcements of the personnel of his cabinet until he takes his office in January. In withholding authoritative information he is following the practice of many of his predecessors.

Governor-elect and Mrs. Tener are making arrangements for the disposal of the large part of their household furniture in Charleroi, in preparation for removal to the executive mansion at Harrisburg. But Charleroi will still be home to them, although the place of their residence will be Harrisburg. It is expected that many Charleroi people will go to Harrisburg to witness the inauguration ceremonies.

Belle Vernon Council Lets Telephone Work Continue EXTENSION IS GRANTED

On the eve of the expiration of its franchise the Belle Vernon council last night voted to accept the bond offered by the Independent Telephone Construction company 14 months ago and held up since April. The year and a half in which it was to have an exchange in operation will expire next Friday. Workmen who came in this week to do a hurry up job on getting the plant ready to do business were stopped because an accepted bond had not been filed. After talking it over council decided the bond was alright although it expired a couple of months ago. One similar is to be executed.

After the matter of the bond had been settled to the satisfaction of the majority, the representative of the company asked for and was granted a 90 day extension of time.

Dancing School

Oatman's, Tuesday night Dancing School will meet Tuesday night, January 2, Bank of Charleroi. Beginner's Class at 7:30. 114410

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 1132

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finishes at Woodward's—421 McKean avenue. 1124

ROAD IMPROVEMENT MAY BE TIED UP FOR PRESENT

Small Attorney's Fee May be Instrumental in
Halting Movement for Good Roads
This Year

NO REPORT TO THE COUNTY CONTROLLER

According to the Washington Record a small attorney's fee of \$100 may tie up the whole road bond issue by the county of \$100,000 for 1910. These bonds had all been disposed of regularly but the last block of \$25,000 and these were recently taken over by a private banker.

No report has yet been made to the county controller of this sale of \$25,000 of the bonds. The county treasurer has no return for the sale of these bonds. The county commissioners do not have in their possession either the bonds or a receipt of them.

It is probable that unless a report of sale for the \$25,000 is received by the controller before the end of the year, the entire issue of 1910 bonds will be dead. This is not yet certain, but attorneys hold that all the bonds must be sold before the end of the year for which they are issued and that the law will not permit the county to make a reissue after the end of the year or to double up the issue to \$200,000 in 1911.

While no official statement has been made, it is generally known that the missing bonds have been sold, that the commissioner gave them into the hands of a private banker who wished to purchase them and that the matter at issue now is a question whether the county shall allow the buyer \$100 or \$200 for attorney's fees. A hundred dollars is hanging up the whole issue.

The First National Bank of Monongahela took \$25,000 of these bonds. The First National Bank of Canonsburg bought \$50,000. Then, it is said a private banker took away the remaining \$25,000 and the sale was regarded as about concluded. If there is any written offer for these bonds it has not been made public, so that little is known as to whether or not the bankers stipulated that the county should allow him attorney fees. The county commissioners it is said agreed before the bonds were issued that no fees would be allowed. One purchase, however, was given \$100 for fees and then asked for \$150 more. The private banker pointed out that he should have special consideration because as a private banker he would be at the expense of securing a bond, while the National Bankers were authorized to make satisfactory bond by their directors. It has been rumored that a market for these bonds was easily found and that they have really been sold.

County Controller J. H. Moffitt maintains that the entire bond issue for 1910 is dead at the end of the year, it will be necessary to issue new bonds, sell them, advertise for bids and let new contracts, so that no road improvement work is likely to be done until late next year. A whole year will be lost at any rate.

MINER SLASHES THROAT OF WIFE THEN KILLS HIMSELF

Avella Foreigner Com-
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Crime

INSANE JEALOUSLY CAUSE

Woman May Recover From
Terrible Wounds Inflicted
By Passionate Man

After gashing the throat of his wife with two terrific slashes with a razor, Mike Bartsawicz, last evening at his home in Avella slashed his own throat once and fell on the floor by the side of his wife, a corpse. The woman although terribly injured has a slight chance for recovery.

When the man came home from his work last night a boarder was in the house. He was asked to go to the store. Thereupon Bartsawicz, who had been whistling a merry tune, roughly caught the woman by her hair and jerking back her head whipped a razor from his pocket and slashed her throat twice. As the unconscious form sank to the floor the man walked across the room and drew the dripping razor across his own

throat severing the jugular vein. Miners nearby, hearing the screams of the 3 year old child rushed to the house. The man was dead but Mrs. Bartsawicz was still breathing. She was removed to a neighboring house and physicians called into attendance. Insane jealousy is supposed to have been the cause of the tragedy.

Uniontown Loses Company C

State Senator William E. Crow of Uniontown has received a letter from Adjutant General T. J. Stewart in which he states that Company C of the "Fighting Tenth" regiment will be removed to Somerset. Lack of support is said to have been the cause of the removal.

Supper and Dance

For the benefit of the Italian Catholic church at Turner Hall, Monday evening, December 26. Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets 50 cents. Dancing after supper from 8 to 12 p. m. Gentlemen 25 cents, ladies 10 cents. 11542

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Courtaut the Wolf.
 Paris has forgotten the time when it used to go in terror of the wolves which carried off women and children from the streets and even raided the graveyards. At one time they became so mad with desire for human flesh that in a single week they devoured fourteen persons, all between Montmartre and the gate of St. Antoine. On the night of St. Martin (says Grace Jones in "Joan of Arc") there was a hunt and taken a horrible wolf which, it was said had done more, and more cruelly, than many others put together. That day he was killed. He had no tail, and from that he was called "Courtaut." There was no talk about him as if he had been an outlaw of the woods or a cruel captain, and when he lived folk said to one another as they went forth to labor in the fields, "Look out for Courtaut." And on this day he was taken through Paris in a cart, dead, with his great jaws open, and all the people went to see, and they made holiday and rejoiced, because Courtaut could trouble them no more."

Rented Wedding Cakes.
 "There was something wrong with the cake, the baker said. It looked all right, and it smelled all right, but his artistic sense told him it would not taste all right."
 "Then fix it up with an extra coat of icing and we will keep it for a reuter," said the proprietor.
 "Who in the world would rent a cake?" some one asked.
 "Wedding parties," said he. "They want a big cake in the center of the table for show, but a cake of that size good enough for a wedding would cost more than they can afford to pay, so they order five cake put up in individual boxes for the guests and use the bride's cake just as an ornament. They don't buy it; they rent it. Sometimes a cake is rented a dozen different times. After each wedding it is freshened up with a new coat of icing and looks as good as new for the next occasion. A good renter fetches about \$3 a wedding."--New York Press.

Sarcastic Cabbie.
 A certain nobleman, who may be called Lord X., bears the reputation of being somewhat stingy in money matters. On a wet afternoon he hired a cab to take him to Victoria station. Arrived at the station, he handed the cabbie a shilling and of course was met by the inevitable demand for an extra sixpence.
 "Certainly not," said the other promptly. "You came the longest way as an excuse to extort money. Why didn't you go through St. James' park?"
 The cabbie saw he had no chance and said sullenly:
 "Cos St. James' park is closed. That's why."
 "Nonsense," said the other sternly.
 "It's right, though," was the grave reply. "They say that Lord X. dropped a shilling coming across the park last evening, and the gates are closed until they find it."--London Tit-Bits.

Shut Her Up.
 A young wife was continuously pestered by her mother-in-law about the way she was bringing up her firstborn babe. The young wife was intelligent and capable, and she was really doing very well with the baby. From her mother-in-law, however, she got nothing but sour advice, warnings and veiled abuse. One day the mother-in-law, looking fixedly at the mother with her baby on her lap, said angrily:
 "A woman has no right to have a child if she doesn't know how to hold it."
 "No, nor a tongue either," was the quiet reply.--Detroit Free Press.

Berlin.
 "Berle," from which Berlin has caught her name, means uncultivated land. Slavonian Wends, the earliest settlers on the sandy plain, could make but little out of the soil. The population in 1532 was only 250,000. Less than forty years later it was 800,000, and now it runs into 2,000,000. The man who gave to Berlin its present form was Frederick II., but Frederick the Great and the Great Elector started the noble hobby of beautifying the wonderful city.

The Mantle of Charity.
 The lady was making some remarks about the kind of clothing some other ladies at church had on.
 "The finest garment a woman can wear," said her husband, "is the mantle of charity."
 "Yes," she snapped, "and it is about the only dress, judging by the fuss they make over the bills, that some husbands want their wives to wear."

Sweden's "Church Boat."
 The "church boat" is a popular institution in Sweden. It brings families to service from the farms around Lake Siljan to Leksand. The water route is the nearest and most convenient, and so the big boat goes from farm to farm along the shore picking up the churchgoers, who later return by the same route.--Wide World Magazine.

Counting the Cost.
 "What's the cost of a marriage license?" asked a youth whose fancy had lightly turned to thoughts of conjugal felicity.
 "Well," answered his friend, "30 shillings down and your entire salary each week for the rest of your life!"--London Telegraph.

Where Time Doesn't Count.
 A party of East Indian natives were found sitting in a row on the form of a station after the train left, and, being asked the reason, one of the men replied, "Oh, sahib, I am waiting till the tickets are cheap."



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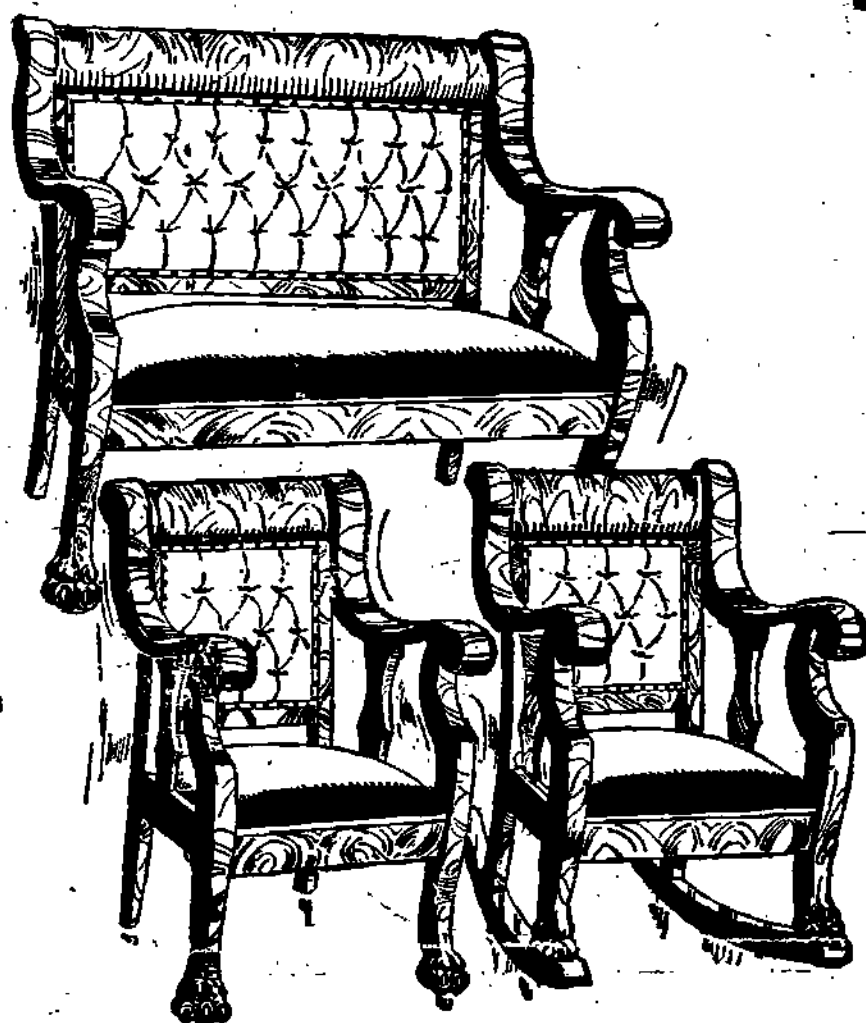
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Yosemite Versus Grand Canyon.

Yosemite for a home or a camp, the Grand canyon for a spectacle. I saw a robin in Yosemite valley. Think how forlorn and out of place a robin would seem in the Grand canyon! What would he do there? There is no turf for him to inspect, and there are no trees for him to perch on. I could as soon expect to find him amid the pyramids of Egypt or amid the ruins of Karnak. The bluebird was there also, and the water ouzel, haunted the lucid waters. The reader may create for himself a good image of Yosemite by thinking of a section of seven or eight miles of the Hudson river midway of its course as emptied of its waters and deepened 3,000 feet or more, having the sides nearly vertical, with snow white waterfalls fluttering against them here and there, the famous spires and domes planted along the rim, and the landscape of groves and glades, with its still, clear, winding river, occupying the bottom.—John Burroughs in Century.

RESTAURANTS.

They Really Had Their Origin in the First French Revolution.

The restaurant of the present time had its origin in the first French revolution, toward the close of the eighteenth century. And the reputation of the French for good cookery and the delicacy of taste in eating as well as in producing toothsome dishes and morsels dates practically from the same time.

That revolution meant ruin to many noble families, and their downfall meant ruin also for their chefs, so some of the latter hit upon the idea of opening houses where dainties prepared by their skilled hands could be obtained. If the experiment succeeded the chefs would be as well off as when in service. The idea was pleasing to the public, the restaurants did a large business, and the proprietors had no reason to regret the revolution from a monetary point of view.

Then it occurred to others that the people might appreciate being educated up to this fine cookery, and many books on the culinary art were published and sold well. One of the most noted of these was "The Gourman Almanack," which appeared in 1798.

Restaurant really means "restoring," and was applied to these places because you went there to have something to revive or restore your falling strength.

MAKING NEEDLES.

Various Processes Through Which the Steel Wire Must Pass.

Needles are made from steel wire, which is first cut by shears from coils and the length of the needles to be

made. After a bath of such bits as have been cut out they are placed in a furnace, then rolled until perfectly straight. Next the needle pointer takes up a dozen or so of the wires and rolls them between his thumb and finger, with their ends on a turning grindstone, first one and then the other being ground. The little steel bobbins are next fed into a machine which flattens and gutters the heads, after which the eyes are punched.

They are now complete needles, but rough and easily bent. Careful heating and sudden cooling gives them the necessary temper, and nothing remains but to give them their final polish. On a coarse cloth needles are spread to the number of 40,000 or 50,000. Emery dust is strewn over them, oil is sprinkled on and soft soap daubed over the cloth, which, rolled tightly, is thrown into a pot with others, where it rolls about for twelve hours or more.

When taken from this friction bath the needles require only rinsing in clean hot water, when they are ready to be sorted and packed.—Chicago Tribune.

Fulton and the Clermont.

The first trip of Robert Fulton up the Hudson river in the Clermont was thus described in the American Citizen of Aug. 17, 1810:

"Mr. Fulton's ingenious Steam Boat, invented with a View to the Navigation of The Mississippi from New Orleans upwards. Sails today from the North River, near the State Prison, to Albany. The Velocity of The Steam Boat is Calculated at four miles an hour. It is said that it will make a progress of two against The Current of The Mississippi, and if so it will certainly be a very valuable acquisition to the Commerce of the Western States."

According to Edward Hazaman Hall's history, the Clermont made the trip to Albany in thirty-two hours. The state prison referred to stood on the block in New York now bounded by Washington, West Tenth, West and Charles Streets, in old Greenwich village.

LAWS OF WARS.

The Code Now in Use Among All the Civilized Nations.

The "laws of war" as at present formulated by the civilized nations forbid the use of poison against an enemy; murder by treachery, as, for example, assuming the uniform or displaying the flag of a foe; the murder of those who have surrendered, whether upon conditions or at discretion; declarations that no quarter will be given to an enemy; the use of such arms or projectiles as will cause unnecessary pain or suffering to an enemy; the abuse of a flag of truce to gain information concerning an en-

emy's positions; all unnecessary destruction of property, whether public or private.

They also declare that only fortified places shall be besieged; open cities or villages not to be subject to siege or bombardment; that public buildings of whatever character, whether belonging to church or state, shall be spared; that plundering by private soldiers of their officers shall be considered inadmissible; that prisoners shall be treated with common humanity; that the personal effects and private property of prisoners, except their arms and ammunition, shall be respected; that the population of a town, if a city shall be considered exempt from participation in the war, if its hostile acts they prove the necessity of the enemy.

Personal and family honor and the religious convictions of an invaded people must be respected by the invaders and all places of regular troops or their followers strictly forbidden.—New York Herald.

The Electric Fan.

Back in the early eighties Dr. S. S. Wheeler, an electrical engineer of New York, was experimenting with a small electric motor. In the course of his experiments the doctor conceived the idea that steamboats might be run with electricity if the propellers could be directly connected to high speed electric motors, doing away with all the gears then in use in steam propulsion. With this idea in mind he had a small screw propeller constructed and fastened it to the armature shaft of his small motor. To his surprise the experiment resulted in a fine breeze of cooling air which more than delighted the experimenter, for the day was decidedly hot. It is needless to add that the experiments with screw propellers ended right there, and the engineer took up the study of the electric fan with the result that he soon perfected the device until it was a commercial success.

Bonnyclabber.

New drinks have sometimes a glorious and brief popularity. Lord Stratford, writing to Lord Cottington in 1835, extols "bonnyclabber," which he says "is the bravest, freshest drink you ever tasted. Your Spanish don would, on the heats of Madrid, hang his nose and shake his beard an hour over every sop he took of it and take it to be the drink of the gods all the while."

No one, however, seems to know the exact composition of the seductive "bonnyclabber," although from an allusion to it by Ben Jonson it would seem to have been a mixture of beer and butter-milk.—London Chronicle.

Puzzled the Packer.

The first organized work of women in a relief corps was led by Florence Nightingale in the Crimean war of 1855. So unaccustomed were people to that service at the time that it called out some curious comment. Writing of "Chinese" Gordon, Dr. Butler tells in his book, "Ten Great and Good Men," how the boys at Cambridge met the call upon them for hospital stores.

One day a letter came suddenly from the war office telling us that any warm clothes for the invalids at Scutari would be prized by Miss Florence Nightingale. At once in every college a committee was extemporized of leading undergraduates, charged to collect presents of fannel jackets, trousers, "blazers," rugs, greatcoats, furs, even sealskins.

In a few hours box after box was filled with these treasures, and all the boxes were kindly and gratuitously packed for us by the leading apothecary of the town, his foreman simply remarking to me in a tone which General Gordon would have enjoyed: "A nice consignment for a lady, sir."

Cause of Twilight.

Twilight is a phenomenon caused by atmospheric refraction. When the sun gets below the horizon we are not immediately plunged into the darkness of night. Although the sun is below our horizon, rays of solar light are bent or refracted by the terrestrial atmosphere and continue to furnish some slight illumination. The process continues with diminishing intensity until the sun is so far below the horizon that the refracting power of the atmosphere is no longer able to bend the rays enough to produce a visible effect. The time after sunset that the sun reaches such a position varies with the latitude of the place. There is less twilight at the tropic zone than at the temperate or frigid zone. This is due to less time taken by the sun's rays to pass through the atmosphere, at the tropic zone the sun's rays being perpendicular and at the temperate and frigid zones oblique.—New York American.

With a Grain of Salt.

The earliest record of the saying "with a grain of salt" dates back to the year 63 B. C., when the great Pompey entered the palace of Mithridates and discovered among his private papers the description of an antidote against poisons of all sorts, which was composed of pounded herbs. These, according to the recipe, were to be taken with a grain of salt. Whether this was meant seriously or as a warning sarcasm is not known, but thenceforth it became the custom to say that doubtful preparations should be taken with a grain of salt. From this the meaning got transferred to sayings of doubtful truth. "Attie salt" was a Greek synonym for wit or penetration, and the Latin word "sal" had somewhat of the same meaning. It is thus easy to see how the saying "cum grano salis" could have come to mean the necessity of accepting doubtful or suspicious statements "with a grain of salt."

Molokai and the Lepers.

The general idea of the leper settlement on the island of Molokai is wrong, says a writer in Harpers Weekly. Instead of the entire island being used for the leper colony the settlement comprises only eight square miles out of a total area of 261 square miles. It occupies a tongue of land on the northern side of Molokai. The north, east and west shores of this tiny spit are washed by the Pacific, while on the south side rise precipitous cliffs of from 1,800 to 4,000 feet, which make the isolation seem even more hopeless than the beautiful deep blue waters of the sea ever could. The most difficult and dangerous trail, constantly manned by government guards, foils escape, if it were ever contemplated, by the land side.

Stupid Husband of a Noted Singer.

Catalani's husband, a handsome Frenchman, was even more unimpeachable than his wife—he was stupid. Once, having found the pitch of the piano too high, she said after the rehearsal to her husband: "The piano is too high. Will you see that it is made lower before the concert?" When the evening came Catalani was annoyed to find that the piano had not been altered. Her husband sent for the carpenter, who declared that he had sawed off two inches from each leg, as he had been ordered to do. "Surely it can't be too high now, my dear," said the stupid husband soothingly.

Through the Cracks.

When the celebrated divine Edward Irving was on a preaching tour in Scotland two Dumfries men of decided opinions went to hear him. When they left the hall one said to the other: "Well, Willie, what do you think?" "Oh," said the other contemptuously, "the men's cracked!" The first speaker laid a quiet band on his shoulder.

"Will," said he, "you'll often see a light peeping through a crack."

A Poor Player.

Griggs—So you got home from the club at midnight. Well, I suppose you told wife you had to work late at the office. Played upon her sympathies, eh? Briggs—Well—er—yes, but after her sympathies were out of tune or I'm a darned poor instrumentalist.—Boston Transcript.

Good and Sufficient Reason.

Editor—But, my good fellow, why do you bring this poem to me? Impertinent. One—Well, sir, because I hadn't a stamp, sir.—London Tatler.

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Dec. 23 In American History.

1783—Thomas Macdonough, hero of a brilliant victory over the British on Lake Champlain. Sept. 11, 1814, born; died 1825.
1805—Joseph Smith, Mormon prophet, born; killed Jan. 27, 1844.
1833—Henry Woodfin Grady, editor and orator, leader of the "new south" died; born 1850.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.)
Sun sets 4:33, rises 7:18; moon rises 12:40 a. m.; planet Mercury visible.

Sensible Gifts

Just now the newspaper advertiser's team with suggestions for Christmas gifts. Some of these suggestions are most timely, and as they are usually by made experienced purveyors for the Christmas trade, it is well to give heed to them, particularly by those who find themselves at a loss to make a selection at the last moment. The judgement of the experienced retail store manager is invariably good.

Christmas giving is a fine art. To attain its full purpose the gift should be of such a nature that in addition to the pleasure of being remembered, the remembrance itself should continue to bring pleasure to the recipient as long as associations are utilized. For this reason a sensible gift, chosen with a knowledge of the desires and tastes of the recipient, is the most successful gift of all. Innumerable instances might be mentioned, but the exercise of good common sense should be sufficient guide. Most young ladies would appreciate a pair of nice gloves in preference to an impossible celluloid toilet set, and a young man would prefer a nice tie or a muffler he could use to shaving set made for looks and not utility. The busy housewife and mother would no doubt appreciate a carpet sweeper more than an embroidered chair tidy, and "the old man" would have many thrills of pleasure to get in his Christmas stocking a box of "Pollocks" instead of the things the women folks think he ought to have.

Thus it is along the whole line. It is a pleasure to be remembered but if the gift brings pleasure besides in filling a long-felt want, then Christmas giving has reached its highest degree of fulfillment.

The Three R's

Dr. N. C. Schaffer, superintendent of Education in Pennsylvania who stands at the head of public educators, showed an appreciative grasp of the essentials of popular education when he stated in a address at the Washington county institute this week that it is not a question of what to put into a common school curriculum, but what to take out. In other words, the common branches are too often skinned over in order to get a smattering of some of the higher branches before pupils drop out of school. Those who leave school at the age of 15 or 16 years, are not thoroughly grounded in the common branches,

which should be the basis of their education, and not having a comprehensive grasp of the higher ones, are handicapped in the battle of life.

In the days of the ungraded schools of the old red school houses, pupils at the age of 15 or 16 years had usually passed through all the text books of the common branches. This is about the age when they pass into the high school of the graded schools and take up higher branches. Not having these high schools, the pupils of the red school house days spent the next two years or more, reviewing and going over again the common branches. In the farming districts in particular, many pupils could attend the district schools in the winter time until they reached their majority. When these left school they could "work any example" in any of the arithmetics, know all the rules of grammar, could parse, analyze and construct any kind of a sentence, knew United States history from beginning to end by heart, had geography at their tongue's ends, could spell like an expert and write a good plain Spencerian hand.

Although not having any of the higher accomplishments of the high school of today, young men and women with the three R's thoroughly grounded into them were not so badly handicapped by lack of educational advantages as educators of today seem to believe. While perhaps their intellects lacked the broadening effects of higher education, their basic and fundamental knowledge was better, which made them more apt students in the "college of hard knocks," which gives the final educational touches to all. Dr. Schaffer's theory is correct. For those who must leave school at an early age a fundamental knowledge of the common branch better equips them for the duties of life than an incomplete knowledge of these branches and a smattering of some of the higher ones.

Beats Joseph's Crop

Such was the magnitude of the crop of corn raised by Joseph in Egypt in the time of Pharaoh that it was thought worthy of record in the Bible, says a writer in Munsey's Magazine. We cannot tell accurately as by measurement reduced to American bushels, that this harvest of Egyptian grain was. All that we know is that it was of such amplitude as to amaze the rulers of Egypt and make the country the commercial master of the ancient world.

Yet it was undoubtedly much smaller than the harvest of Indian corn or maize which the American farmers secured in the early autumn of 1910. That is estimated in round numbers at 3,121,000,000 bushels. Curiously enough, the number of bushels of Indian corn harvested by the farmers of America is approximately equivalent to the number of dollars in actual circulation throughout the United States. That is to say, if it were necessary to buy outright the corn crop of last autumn, and to pay for it in cash at the rate of one dollar a bushel, then, in order to do this, there would be needed every dollar of money now in circulation.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

A fussy old dame from Brest, For embroidery led all the rest;
She crunched a nail
In her husband's shirt tail,
Who sat down and remarked, "Well,
I'm blest!"

Broke, broke, absolutely broke;
It may seem funny, but it is no joke,
When you're hungry and you're thirsty
And have nothing left to soak,
B-r-o-k-e spells broke.

Sentimentality

"Your eyes are nature's opera glasses
In them see the brooklet's ripple
For you, Dear Heart, I'd conquer
worlds,
I'd crack a safe or rob a cripple."

The worst of it is that you can get
fooled watching a man the same as
you can trusting him.

About the only fellows to be trusted
in this world are the fellows who
don't ask credit.

Dr. Schaffer, the State school
superintendent, says that there is so
much in the school curriculum of
today. That must be balm to the
spirit of the old-timer, whose ability

is limited to instruction in the three R's.

In some of the church entertain-
ment programs, Santa Claus has to
figure as incognito.

It must be a source of wonder to
the children how one place can support
so many Santas.

The congressional Record has begun
its circulation with all the regularity
of clockwork.

New County Project May Reach Next Ses- sion of Legislature

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keep within the requirements of the
constitution. Article 13 of the con-
stitution says:

"No county shall be established
which shall reduce any county to less
than 400 square miles or to less than
20,000 inhabitants; nor shall any
county be formed of less area, or
containing a less population; nor
shall any line thereof pass within ten
miles of the county seat of any county
proposed to be divided."

The accompanying map made for
the Belle Vernon Enterprise in
1895, shows just how this could be
accomplished. Since that time the
county seat towns have all extended
their limits, and Pittsburg particu-
larly, has taken in a lot more territory.

However, according to a
Supreme court decision the county seat
is merely the courthouse property and
not the entire municipality.

Since the map was made Monessen
and Donora have both been incorpor-
ated and both are near the center of
the proposed new county. With their
big steel mills and other varied in-
dustries they add to an incalculable ex-
tent to the importance of the com-
munity.

ENGINEERS ON

P. R. R. GET WAGE INCREASE

About 8,000 engineers of the Pen-
sylvania railroad have been granted
an increase in wages ranging from 10
to 25 per cent, the advance being
retroactive, thus giving the men the
advantage of the additional pay from
the time the railroad made a settle-
ment with the trainmen last summer.
The advance does not affect engineers
on the lines west of Pittsburg, these
men having been granted an increase
in wages before the settlement was
made with the trainmen. The in-
crease however, is made on the same
basis as the advance granted the
engineers on the Lines West, thus
placing the employees of the lines
east and west on an equal footing.

VIEWERS INSPECT

LOCK 4 PROPERTY

A board of viewers appointed by
the court sometime go in the damage
claim from the Borough of North
Charleroi by John Dowd, by reason
of a fill made an inspection of the
premises yesterday afternoon, and
January 3 has been set as the date
for the hearing of witnesses at the
office of D. M. McCoskey. A report
will thereafter be filed and presented
to the court.

The members of the board were
Henry Sheets, George W. Migh,
John H. Bowers, Warren Gibson and
June Gable.

Entertains For Daughter

Mrs. Minto Shipe entertained at
her home on Oakland avenue Thurs-
day afternoon in honor of her daugh-
ter Dorothy, whose 11th birthday
was an event of that date. About 25
of Dorothy's friends were present.
The house was beautifully decorated
for the occasion with Christmas
colors. The afternoon was pleas-
antly spent by the young folks with
games of a varied nature, and a lunch
was served.

Mrs. Nancy Upcraft

Mrs. Nancy Upcraft, 55 years old,
the wife of William Upcraft, of 216
Meadow avenue died last night at
11:50 o'clock, after an illness of some
duration from cancer of the liver.
The funeral arrangements have not
been completed yet, but interment
will take place in the Franklin ceme-
tery at Franklin. The husband and
six children survive.

Mr. Berryman Improved

J. W. Berryman the local mer-
chant, who suffered a severe stroke
of paralysis on Sunday morning was
this morning reported somewhat im-
proved.

Suspenders,
Suspenders
Sets in Boxes
50c. 75c. \$1
\$1.50

Boys' and
Men's Coat
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50c to \$3.50

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Holiday
Boxes
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Only Three Days More
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Offering of

\$20 Men's and Youth's
Suits at \$15. You
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any—Fancy or Dark Mixed
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Grasp the Opportunity for Useful
Christmas Giving.

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Fifth Street and McKean Avenue
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Initial Silk
and Linen
Manufactured in
15c \$1.00

Bradley
Knitted, also
Silk Mufflers
25c to \$1.50

Wool Gloves,
Kid Gloves,
Fur Gloves,
25c, 50c, \$1.00
to \$3.00

NEW MEMBERS ARE INITIATED BY LADY MACCABEES

Eight new members were initiated into
membership with the Lady Maccabees
at their meeting last evening. The
local order is trying hard to reach the
\$25,000 insurance mark. A large
class will be initiated to Carnegie
Hall, Northside, Pittsburg, December
30, and a number of Charleroi Lady
Maccabees have signified their inten-
tion of being present.

Eighteen members from Donora
Hive came last night by sled and
were guests of the Charleroi Hive.
Mrs. Riddle, a member of the local
hive celebrated her eighteenth wed-
ding anniversary yesterday, and a
little surprise was prepared for her,
the members presenting her with
some piece of linens. After the busi-
ness session a bounteous lunch was
served and all enjoyed a social time.

LUMBER FALLS ON FRENCHMAN

Caught under an overturned load of
oak lumber, Setina Peston, a French
man aged about 42 years, was instan-
tly killed yesterday afternoon near
Mingo. The accident was a most
peculiar one.

Peston for the past three years had
been in the employ of C. W. Myers
who has been operating a sawmill on
the Burkheiser farm near Mingo.
Yesterday afternoon he started for
Mogongahela with a sled and team
hauling about 1,000 feet of oak lum-
ber. Just below Mingo the load
upset in the road. Peston was caught
under the load. The horses stopped
when the accident occurred.

A few minutes later a motorman on
an interurban car saw the overturned
load and the standing horses and
stopped his car to investigate. He
saw a corner of Peston's coat under
the lumber and summoned aid. Jacks
were secured and the lumber finally
lifted. The man was dead when
taken out. An examination showed
that no bones had been broken but
apparently death had been instan-
taneous.

The body was taken to Finleyville
and this morning was brought to Lock
No. 4 where funeral services were
held this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The
interment was at Monongahela.
Peston was unmarried and the only
known relative is a brother living in
Carnegie.

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IMPORTED PIPES—This is an especial line imported direct.

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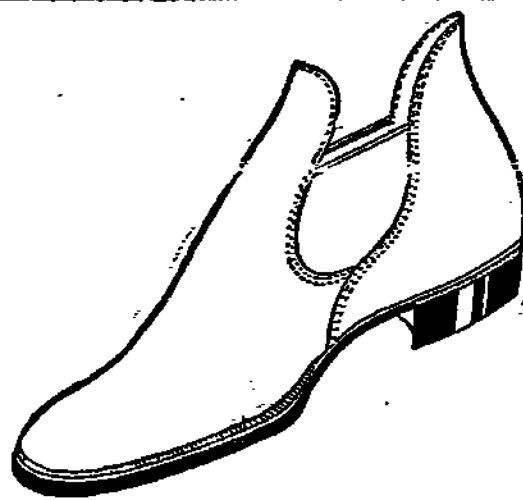
63 Pairs of Men's and Ladies' Slippers, felt or leather soles . . . 49c

Ladies' Slippers in tan, red, black, green, pink, blue, gray. Regular 2.00 and 2.50 grade, our Xmas price . . . \$1.48

Ladies' fur top slippers, reg- \$1.50 - grade, our Xmas price . . . 98c

Ladies' and Men's shoe trees, Regular 1.50 grade, our Xmas price . . . 75c

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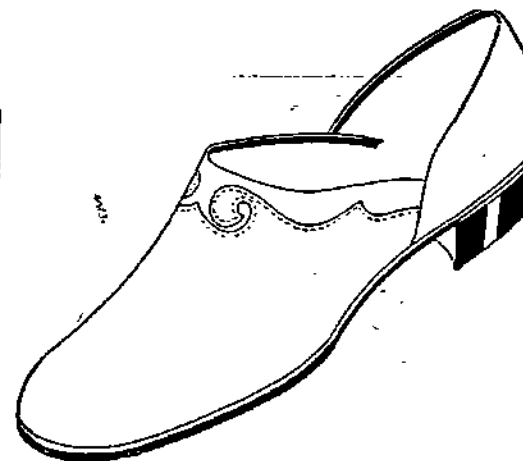


Men's Romeos in tan, black or red, regular \$2.00 grade, our Xmas price . . . 98c

Men's \$3-Romeos in tan and black, regular \$3 50 grade, our Xmas price, \$1.95

Men's tan, black and red Opera Slippers worth \$1.50, our Xmas price . . . 98c

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One of the great advantages of glycerin in its chemical employment is the fact that it neither freezes nor evaporates under any ordinary temperature. No perceptible loss by evaporation has been detected at a temperature less than 200 degrees F., but it heated intensely it decomposes with a smell that few persons find themselves able to endure. It burns with a pale flame, similar to that from alcohol, it heated to about 300 degrees and then ignited. Its nonvolatile qualities make the compound of much use as a vehicle for holding pigments and colors, as in stamping and typewriter ribbons, carbon papers and the like.

If the pure glycerin be exposed for a long time to a freezing temperature it crystallizes with the appearance of sugar candy, but these crystals being once melted it is almost an impossibility to get them again into the congealed state. If a little water be added to the glycerin no crystallization will take place though under a sufficient degree of cold the water will separate and form crystals, amid which the glycerin will remain in its natural state of fluidity. If suddenly subjected to intense cold pure glycerin will form a gummy mass which cannot be entirely hardened or crystallized. Altogether it is quite a peculiar substance.

STEALING A HORSE.

A Bold Afghan Robber Who Had a Sense of Humor.

An East Indian officer, writing of life in Peshawar in the early seventies of the last century, relates the following:

"The medical officer of my regiment was informed one night that a valuable and favorite Arab steed of his had been stolen. Over the border, gone forever, he never expected to see his horse again, but next day, much to his surprise, there came to him a bearded ruffian riding bare backed the stolen steed.

He confessed that he had taken the animal, but, learning that it was the property of a hakim (physician), had brought it back. The horse had been tethered in line with others, with men, women and children sleeping in the open about them.

"How did you manage it?" asked the doctor.

"If the sahib will give the necessary order," he said, "I will show him."

The entire scene was reproduced, even to the night watchman asleep in a corner. Notably the Afghan crawled toward the Arab, treading snake-like through the prostrate forms

to where it was standing at the end of the row. Softly hissing to attract the animal's attention without causing alarm, he gently raised himself with arm extended.

In his open palm were some lumps of ghor (native sugar), beloved of horses, and while the Arab was enjoying these the man was cussing him with the other hand, whence suspended a watering bottle taken from his wallet. Quickly this was adjusted and then, stroking soothingly, the robber passed his hand over the animal's back and down the hind quarters. Swiftly the heel ropes were unloosed, then the head gear released, and with a bound he was astride and away, his right hand backward flung, shouting triumphantly as he passed. "Thus was it done!"

The joke was that he never came back! A double restitution would have been too much of a wrench.

A MAN'S WHISKERS.

They Should Not Be Renovated With the Shoebrush.

If men would devote as much loving care to their whiskers as women do to their hair they would contribute greatly to increasing the dignity of the sex.

A woman wouldn't think of coming downtown without having her hair properly arranged. She combs it, and fusses with it, and pads it out with rats, and puts wire cages under it, and runs ribbons through it, and she is a vision of loveliness when she appears in the busy haunts of men.

But a man gives his whiskers no attention further than to brush the eggshells or clam chowder out of them with the shoebrush. It never seems to occur to him that his whiskers might be made beautiful if he would devote one-half the time to them that a woman gives to her hair. He might easily have made a wire cage to attach to his chin, and then he could wear his whiskers around it in captivating styles and tie the ends together with a pink or blue ribbon.

The affairs editor gets tired of seeing the same old fashions in whiskers when it would be so easy to devise new and striking ways of wearing them.

There should be a whiskers club in Emporia. If such an organization were formed and the members had weekly meetings to exchange ideas and compare notes the results would soon be apparent. The town's whiskers would soon become distinctive, and their reputation would cover the country.

Let us have a new deal in spinach—Emporia Gazette.

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Mutton legs, 12 1-2
Whole Hogs

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Sugar cured and skinned hams 15c
California hams . . . 13c
Bacon . . . 22c
Veal roast . . . 15c to 18c
Stewing veal . . . 10c to 15c
Lamb stew . . . 3 for 25c
Lamb chops and roasts . . . 12 1/2c
Leg of lamb . . . 12 1/2c
Soup meat . . . 6c to 10c
Chuck roast . . . 2 lbs. for 25c

Rib roast . . . 14c
Boiling Pork . . . 12 1/2c to 10c
Roasting pork . . . 14c to 16c
Liver pudding . . . 3 lbs. for 25c
Weiners . . . 2 lbs. for 25c
Ring bologna and smoked sausage . . . 10c
Fresh Sausage . . . 16c
Fresh ground Hamburg . . . 2 lbs. for 25c

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Big Half Price Sale This Saturday

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Our factory in New York has shipped its display goods to Charleroi to be disposed of. This shipment was caused by the fact that room must be had in order to store the Spring and Summer goods that are now being manufactured. This shipment has filled our store to overflowing and our instructions are to get rid of them at once and to put a price on them that will make them move fast. As the order was to move them we must comply and

All Our Goods Must be Sold at Half Price

Remember this one half price sale is for Saturday and is just one day before Christmas. It is a chance of a lifetime to get good seasonable goods at half price. You can buy the goods now and begin paying for them next year. Goods at one half off with a privilege of paying for them at your convenience is a rare opportunity.

LOOK AT THE PRICE LIST



Men's Suits—

\$12.50 Suits for.....	\$ 6.25
15.00 " "	7.50
20.00 " "	10.00
22.50 " "	11.25
25.00 " "	12.50
27.50 " "	13.75
30.00 " "	15.00

Men's Overcoats—

\$15.00 Overcoats	\$ 7.50
18.00 " "	9.00
20.00 " "	10.00
22.00 " "	11.00
30.00 " "	15.00

Ladies' Suits—

\$15.00 Suits for.....	\$ 7.50
22.50 " "	11.25
25.00 " "	12.50
27.50 " "	13.75
30.00 " "	15.00
35.00 " "	17.50
40.00 " "	20.00

Ladies' Long Coats—

\$15.00 and \$19 Plush Coats	\$ 9.98
25.00 Caraculs for	12.50
30.00 Caraculs for	15.00
35.00 Caraculs for	19.98

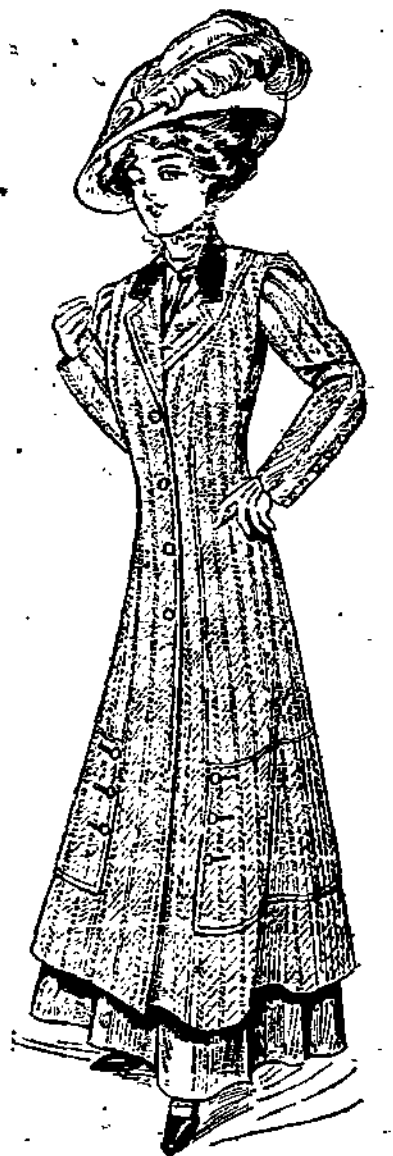
Cloth Coats, Mixtures, Worsteds, Serges, Broadcloths and Cashmere. All reduced one-half.

At this sale there will be a reduction on Willow Plumes and Ladies' Trimmed Hats that will surprise you. We have a big line of Men's Shoes. Come in and see the bargains you can get.

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SHOPPING ABROAD.

A Timely Word of Warning For the American Woman.

There is a little lecture in one of the English weeklies for the benefit of the American woman who travels and shops abroad.

"American woman," says our little "even those with ideas in abundance, are eminently practical as well as economical, though as shoppers they leave much to be desired, for many of them forget that the English business man has fixed prices and is not to be beaten down as if he were an oriental."

The criticism is doubtless a just one, but the writer need not have gone so far from home as the critics to get her comparison, since in more than one country on the continent the American woman has had to learn the art of bargaining over the price or else pay the one that has been made especially for Americans.

But it is a mistake to attempt to carry such a practice into England for it is as much of a blunder to try to employ the methods of the continental or Italian merchants in London or Regent street as it would be to enter a department store and attempt to make the merchant lower his marked price.

The American woman who does not wish to enter a list of the eye-brows when he enters the best London shops will do well to bear this fact in mind.

But, as if the writer were remorseful for this little scolding which she has given the American woman, she hastens to make amends by commending her American sister for another form of economy which she practices. "Our sisters across the Atlantic," she adds, "take greater care of their clothes than we do, and in this respect they show a better understanding of the word economy. Their pretty flower trimmed hats when worn while motoring are covered with a daintily draped waterproof silk cover chosen with discrimination to match the costume or the color of the car."

Long and Short Story Writers.

Which are the great short stories of the English language? Not a bad basis for a debate! This I am sure of—that there are far fewer supremely good short stories than there are supremely good long ones. It takes more exquisite skill to carve the cameo than the statue. But the strangest thing is that the two excellences seem to be separate and even antagonistic. Skill in the one by no means insures skill in the other. The great masters of our literature, Fielding, Scott, Dickens, Thackeray and Reade, have left no single short story of outstanding merit behind them.

The Symbolism Didn't Appeal. "Charlie," sorrowfully sighed the young lady in the parlor of the concrete house on Washington avenue, "it is nearly 12 o'clock."

"Yes, Belinda," was the breathing response of her poetical companion, who was sitting on the sofa beside her. "the minute hand is drawing closer to the hour hand, and when the time of midnight is chimed the two hands will be even as one. Oh, darling Belinda," he continued as he literally simulated the action of the minute hand, "may not the coming together of those two hands be symbolic of us?"

She broke away and stood firmly on her feet. "No, Charles Henry Smith," she retorted angrily, "those two hands will remain as one but a single second, and then the minute hand will divorce itself and go on its way alone. No, Mr. Smith, a minute hand that doesn't stick isn't the kind of symbolism I want!"—Chicago News.

Dividing a Long Sermon.

Dr. Samuel Lloyd of the last half of the eighteenth century, who used to preach two or three hours, like Isaac Barrow, was famous in determining his congregation. On one occasion, after preaching nearly two hours as long as he could feel secure in the presence of all his hearers, he remarked that he was done preaching to sinners and that they were at liberty to go; the rest of his discourse would be addressed to good people.

A gentleman who once went to hear him stated that when the hourglass was nearly ready to be turned a second time from the commencement of his sermon he said, much to the relief of the person who related it, "Once more." After going on some eight or ten minutes longer he said, "To conclude," and after another about equal interval he said, "Lastly."

The gentleman added that he expected every moment to hear him say, "Exeplainingly."

Fielding at Lisbon.

Lisbon contains the grave of Henry Fielding. It was on Oct. 4, 1754, that Fielding died in the Portuguese capital, and it was in 1830 that his tomb was erected in the English cemetery. And Fielding didn't like Lisbon. "As the Portuguese, churches, etc., are large," he wrote, "and all built with white stone, they look beautiful at a distance, but as you approach nearer and find them to want every kind of ornament all idea of beauty vanishes at once." At that time a voyage to Lisbon was an undertaking not lightly to be contemplated. It took Fielding exactly fifty days of foul weather.—St. James' Gazette.



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Round Steak	2 lb. for 25c	Leg of Lamb	15c	Pork Loins,	16c
Rib Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Veal Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Regular Hams	15c
Chuck Roast	2 lbs. 25c	Stewing Veal	11c	California Hams	14c
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Whistler as a Horseman.

Boggs, a cadet cavalry officer at West Point academy, was an assistant in the riding hall. On one occasion he overheard Whistler, who thought he was about to ride, objecting strenuously to the horse brought for his use. The horse, he argued, was too heavily built and much too large for a man of his size. Whistler, with much vehemence, urged the man next him to "swap." The man with whom he wished to exchange horses was of muscular build and a "pretty generous size," and his horse a lightweight animal, so it seemed to Whistler that it would be a "most fitting exchange."

"Oh, don't swap! Don't you swap. Mr. Whistler," cried the dragon. "Yours is a war horse, sir!"

"A war horse?" exclaimed Whistler. "That settles it. I certainly don't want him."

"Yes, you do, sir," reiterated the man. "He's a war horse, I tell you, for he'd rather die than run."—Century.

Among Those Present.

Commenting with light irony on the pretensions of a certain nouveau riche, a contributor to Paris Figaro questions whether men of this type are any slier than those of a past generation who belonged to well known families of long descent.

"There was one of the family of Croy," this contributor writes, "who was fond of showing an old painting of Noah entering the ark and crying out:

"Santex les papiers de la maison de Croy!" (Save the records of the house of Croy.)

Corrected His Error.

With the Germans the absentminded college professor is a stock source of witticisms.

One of these deeply absorbed gentlemen, sitting on a rear seat, thought he knew a person sitting in front and was about to speak to him when the stranger by chance turning a little, the professor saw that he was mistaken.

Nevertheless, touching him on the shoulder, he remarked politely:

"You will excuse me, but you are not the person I thought you were."

Made It Clear.

Now, critics, says the Boston Globe, don't get these things twisted: You can't divorce the bicycle from the bicycle rider. You can't divorce the bicycle from the bicycle rider. You can't divorce the bicycle from the bicycle rider.

The Famous Rayo

The Lamp with Diffused Light

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The Rayo Lamp is constructed to give the maximum diffused white light. Every detail that increases its light-giving value has been included.

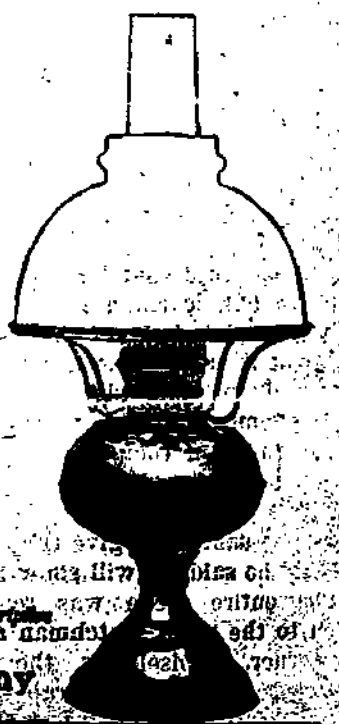
The Rayo is a low-priced lamp. You may pay \$5, \$10 or even \$20 for other lamps and get a more expensive container—but you cannot get a better light than the Rayo gives.

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Handsome designs and colors, all sizes, regular and coat styles. Also fine flannel with collars in gray, blue and brown. This is an exceptional line even for our store.

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Pretty novelties in the latest shades, also gift sets consisting of Handkerchief, Necktie and Hose in matched colors in gift boxes, price range

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For men and boys, dress gloves, lined gloves, wool gloves and gauntlets, all leathers and made right for fit and wear

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Anyone can be suited in this line. Silk and linen sanitary handkerchiefs in sealed packs 3 for 25c. Initial hdkfs 2 for 25c, others up to

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The Way cold excluding mufflers, buttons up close, in shades of grey, maroon, brown and blue, each in a box, 50c.

Full dress mufflers,

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A very strong line, every one is personally selected and we know they are good.

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Bags in very best leather, large and roomy, London and Club shapes.

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WHAT ABOUT THAT GIFT

that you have had in your mind? Do not wait until Saturday, but come today while THE BIG NEW STORE is full of the most practical gifts that can be given, and best of all, we can fit your pocketbook.

Special for This Week:

A \$12.50 solid guaranteed oak rocker upholstered in genuine No 1 Leather for

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Over a hundred styles of other rockers from \$1.50 to \$55.00.

We are showing more styles of doll go-carts than all the other stores put together. They start at 49c and up to \$8.50.

Our 1.50, 2.50 and 3.50 carts are world beaters.

Our line of library tables is the largest ever shown in town. All finishes, all sizes and all prices. They are always appreciated.

Stands from 75c to \$27.50.

Gas and Electric Lamps from \$3.75 to \$25.00.

Pictures from 10c up.

Cut glass, brass goods and fancy china at prices that will close them out quick.

Come early while the selection is good and our sales force can better wait on you. All goods stored until Xmas.

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The Big New Store

416-418 Fallowfield Avenue
Charleroi, Pa.

When the Hen Crows.
Willsford in his "Nature Secrets" (1858) writes:

"Beasts eating greedily and more than they used to do prenotes foul weather, and all small cattle that seem to rejoice with playing and sporting themselves foreshew rain. Ozen and all kinds of neat, if you do at any time observe them to hold up their heads and snuffle in the air or lick their hooves or their bodies against the hair, expect then rain weather. Asses or mules rubbing often their ears or braying much more than usually they are accustomed presages rain. Hogs crying and running up and down with bay or litter in their mouths foreshews a storm to be near at hand. The little sable beast (called a flea) if much thirsting after blood it argues rain. The cock if he crows in the daytime very much or at sunset or when he is at roost at unusual hours, as at 9 or 10, expect some change of weather and that suddenly, but from fair to foul or the contrary. But when the hen crows good men expect a storm within doors and without."

Lured Into Bathing.

In a railway carriage chat the other day a London medical man told a good story which had come within his own experience. A mother was frequently bringing her child to him for treatment, but the doctor could discover nothing amiss except its need of a good wash. She was certain the infant was suffering from some terrible complaint and begged the doctor to do his best. He prescribed a daily wash with the water in which potatoes had been peeled. Never suspecting that this was merely a ruse to get the child washed, the mother followed the instructions to the letter. Rosy cheeks appeared, and a clean, healthy looking child gladdened the mother's heart. She sounded the doctor's praises everywhere and advised other mothers to test the efficacy of potato water. It never occurred to her that precisely the same result would have followed the daily application of soap and water.

A Spanish Ship Treasure.

In 1762 the largest bulk of treasure ever taken from a ship at sea was brought into London. It was the whole of the cargo of the Spanish ship Hermone, captured on May 21 by H. M. S. Active. The Hermone surrendered to the Active without an action, and the treasure was landed at Portsmouth and conveyed to London in twenty decorated wagons, with British colors over Spanish and an escort party of sailors. The strange procession reached Lon-

don on Aug. 12, the day on which George IV. was born. On being sold the treasure realized £519,705 1s. 6d. and the share of the officers and men of the Active was as follows: The captain, £65,053 13s. 9d.; three commissioned officers, each £12,004 14s. 1d.; eight warrant officers, each £4,336 3s. 2d.; twenty petty officers, each £1,806 1s. 8d.; 158 seamen, each £485 5s. 4d.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Jury Penalties

Nowadays no penalty is enforced when the twelve men chosen to form the jury are unable to agree upon a verdict. Formerly, however, a refractory jurymen was committed to prison and the verdict of the eleven was taken. In the reign of King Edward III. the judges decided that a verdict given by a majority was a nullity and recommended that the judges should carry the jury about with them in a cart till they should agree. The old custom that jurors should fast until they had agreed in their verdict prevailed long, but was mercifully relaxed somewhat in Tudor times, and during Queen Elizabeth's reign a banquet was usually given to the jury by the successful party to a suit.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Science and Cheese.

A medical authority kindly assures us that as long as cheese isn't decayed it will not affect the health of the consumer. This is a fact that we have suspected for a considerable time. But how is the ordinary cheese epicure to detect the difference unless he waits for results?

There is cheese so thoroughly disguised in the costume and aroma of decay that its proper standing on the sanitary testing table would puzzle a conjurer.

For instance, there is the brazen known as Limburger.

But why pursue the subject?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Circumventing Papa.

"Reginald, I'm awfully sorry, but papa says he doesn't want to see you coming here any more."

"Boo-hoo, your father's wish is law. He shall not see me again if I can help it. What evenings in the week does he spend downtown?"—Chicago Tribune.

Force of Habit.

"A thousand stars are looking down on you this night," said the poetical young man to the girl.

And she unconsciously put her hands up to arrange the position of her hat.

FLED FROM BOREDOM.

The Tale of a Purcell Interrupted

Yachting Cruise.

A few seasons back a well known hostess chartered a splendid yacht for August and invited a large number of her friends for a three weeks' cruise. At first all went well, though the party was not specially well assorted, but after a few days they began to evince signs of being somewhat bored with each other's company.

The hostess marked these signs of impatient boredom, which became more plainly evident each day, and at last in despair she took counsel with one of her guests, an old and experienced yachtsman.

"What on earth shall I do to amuse these people?" she asked.

The yachtsman looked at the serene sky and calm, blue water and shook his head doubtfully.

"A storm would enliven them up a bit," he said. "But the weather looks quite settled. There is only one thing to be done. You must arrange a breakdown: the engineer will manage that all right for you. He has probably often done so before. Then you must make for the nearest port for repairs and let your guests have a run ashore. Some of them, I expect, will find an excuse for bidding you goodbye and those who remain with you will get along all right together."

The hostess took her guest's advice and arrived at Toulon a day later, where half twenty of her guests bid her goodbye.—London M. A. P.

Divides the Waters.

Situated exactly at the highest point of the divide of the Rocky mountains, on the Crow's Nest division of the Canadian Pacific railway, in British Columbia, is a hotel. When it rains in the mountains the water which falls on the eastern slope of the hotel roof trickles away to join a tiny rivulet, which in due time mingles its waters with the Atlantic. The water falling just beyond the ridgepole, on the other side of the roof, flows westerly and ultimately into the Pacific.

Lots of Them.

"There is one thing which has rather puzzled me."

"What is that?"

"When money talks does it always talk cents?"—Baltimore American.

His Argument.

"Dear, I only play poker for fun."

"But you bet, don't you?"

"Well, there wouldn't be any fun without a little betting."—Pittsburg Post.

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Rolled Pot Roast.....10c
All Lean Boil.....10c
Lamb Chops.....15c

The Pork Market is very high and is going much higher. Have you tried any of our home made Country Sausage? If you haven't ask your neighbor about it.
Loose or Stuffed.....15c
Pork Loin, Roast and Chops.....16c
Whole Hams or Shoulders.....15c
Trimmed Lean.....15c

We sell nothing but our own home-made lard, every pound guaranteed absolutely pure. Lard is going up but these prices are good for this week.
Single pound or 3 lb. and 5 lb. pails.....16c
10 lb. and 20 lb. pails.....15 1-2c
Remember, every pound guaranteed absolutely pure.

We want to say something to you on the butter question. We have an article of Butterine that looks like country butter, and better still, tastes like country butter, and we can sell it to you for 25 cents per pound. We know if you will buy it once you will come back again. Ask for Jelke's Good Luck brand.

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"Eleventh Hour" Suggestions for Christmas

No matter what resolutions you may have made in regard to early buying in the past, there are times when from some unavoidable cause or reason, you have been unable to purchase the cherished gift earlier. To these we wish to make a few timely suggestions.

For the Housewife

Did it ever occur to you that sweeping is one of the housekeeper's most arduous tasks? And, granted it has, did you ever stop to think how you might lessen her burden? And did you happily think of that great great labor saver--

The Bissell Carpet Sweeper

If you haven't already purchased one for her, why not now? The average broom costs fifty cents. One sweeper outwears twenty brooms--an outlay of ten dollars (\$10.00). Compare this item with the price of our sweepers. Then make her happy and contented by purchasing a "Bissell's" now. Priced at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.25 to \$5.00.

For the Girl

A nice silver meshed purse or a leather hand bag, a scarf, gloves, belts, collars, pins for the hat or belt, brooches and the kindred small things, or a muff, fur set, waist or waist pattern. There are many things we can suggest if you will come in. Wellesly series books for girls.

For Men

We have a re-order of ties, plenty to select from. Then there are mufflers, socks, handkerchiefs and gloves. Shirts 50c, 1.00 and 1.50; caps and hats 25c to 3.50; Smoking Jackets 4.00 to 8.00; Bath Robes 8.00 to 4.00; Suit Cases and Traveling Bags 1.00 to 12.00; Umbrellas 1.00 to 8.00.

For the Boy

Just arrived--a line of Indian Suits, a supply of cowboy gloves and a lot of Persian ties. We have suits and overcoats and warm caps--very appropriate for gifts. Tie and handkerchief sets, tie, sock and handkerchief sets and hose supporter and suspender sets all neatly boxed.

China

See our china display. The sales have been heavy but we have a good selection left. Why not a beautiful dish? They are appreciated.

Rugs

Our Rugs make beautiful presents. Ask to see our selection. Rugs 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 2.75 to 7.50; Room size 12.00 to 38.50.

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Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

See the pretty gift sets for men. Suspenders, supporters and arm bands in matched colors in gift boxes at Leslie Campbell Co.'s, 413 McKean Avenue, Charleroi. We give green stamps. 11418

Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean Avenue. 1081f

The People's Store have received a large stock of Ladies and Men's Suits direct from their factory in New York, which will be sold at one half price. Call and get your Christmas presents. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 11612

China Closets in many pretty designs at Woodward's--241 McKean Avenue. 1121f

Born--To Mr. and Mrs. J. Harding of Lincoln Avenue a daughter.

Miss Isabel Wilson is home for the holidays from a women's college she is attending in Ohio.

Dr. J. W. Manon is spending the day in McKeesport on business.

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Boys Suits, Coat Sweaters, Suits and Overcoats. Stylish apparel for the little fellows--same as Dad wears. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean Avenue. 11018

Carroll Gaut is a visitor today in Pittsburgh and will go tonight to Greenburg where he will visit tonight with friends.

Miss Hester Jacobs is a Pittsburgh visitor today.

E. B. Kramer, who has been the singer at the Palace Theatre left today for his home in Portland, Ore.

Mrs. J. B. Tussing is spending the day in Pittsburgh.

J. B. Tussing returned yesterday from a business trip to Altoona.

Buy a Framed Picture for a Christmas gift at Collins Wall Paper Co. G-24

Boys short pants, suits and overcoats at 10 per cent off regular price and double green stamps with each purchase. Leslie Campbell Co. 413 McKean Avenue Charleroi. 11418

Don't waste your money on nonsense or tinsel. Bring the children to our store and get them a new outfit of clothing. You save half and you can begin paying next year. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 11512

Gifts for men--Neckwear, shirts, bolsters, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty--511 McKean Avenue. 1081f

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean Avenue. 1121f

Everything suitable for the men folks as well as the women at Berryman's. 11412

If you are short of money we are ready to clothe you now at half price. Begin to pay next year. If you are honest you are good to us. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Avenue. 11512

Plans for gifts--why not, the best are here. Woodward's, 421 McKean Avenue. 1121f

A tribe of Sioux Indians just arrived in town 3 to 10 years of age. See them at Berryman's Store, only \$1 per suit. 11512

Elegant Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean Avenue. 1121f

Dinner Sets, fancy china and table sets. Double stamps till Xmas. Barger's, 415 Fallowfield Avenue. 10710

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Santa will deliver all your packages in Adolph's automobile. 11512

For your Christmas Slippers see Adolph. 11512

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BILL INCREASING JUDGES SALARIES MAY BE INTRODUCED

It is stated that a bill will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature for an increase of all the salaries of the judges in the State. According to the provisions of the bill it would affect Washington county by the increase in the salaries of the two judges from \$6,000 to \$7,000 each. If a separate orphan's court should be established the salary of the judge would be the same as that of the common pleas judge.

The bill which will probably be introduced is a Philadelphia measure, and is designed to particularly affect the judges of the larger counties of the State where the duties are unusually arduous and heavy.

POSTOFFICE FORCE HAS HARD TIME TO HANDLE HEAVY MAIL

About the busiest people in town just now are Postmaster J. E. McCordie and his force of clerks and mail carriers at the postoffice. The incoming mails were never heavier, and the outgoing mails have become much more burdensome the last few days.

Postmaster McCordie has secured additional help for the stamp window during the rush, but thus far no substitute carrier has been added, and it is barely possible to handle the mail. Miss Ida Carroll is the additional clerk.

Owing to Christmas coming on Sunday, Saturday will be a big rush day. Today the postoffice presents an appearance similar to a huge department store at its busiest moment. The registered mail matter is especially heavy with presents being sent to Charleroi people from friends elsewhere, and by Charleroi people sending registered packages out-of-town.

The usual Sunday hour will be observed Christmas, from 4 to 5 o'clock. On Monday which will largely be observed as a holiday among business men the postoffice will be open until 9 o'clock in the morning and from 5 to 6 o'clock in the evening.

Classified Ads

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WANTED--Good washerwoman, to take washing home. Inquire 115 Mail office. 11518

LOST--Oval shaped tortoise shell belt pin with ladies' head carved on it. Set in gold rim. Finder please return to 47 Mail office. 1134f

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